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to use the name of Doctor Naismith on the trophy. I also agree with you wholeheartedly in the proposition that a suitable trophy with the name of Naismith on it should be purchased by the N.B.C.A. and awarded annually to the winner of the N.C.A.A. tournament. I shall take this up immediately with our board and leave it in the Tournament Committee's hand to purchase a suitable award. To permit Liston and Company to use the good name of Doctor Naismith is nothing short of preposterous to me. I am sure that you express the wish of Doctor Naismith in quoting him as having told you he intended to withdraw his trophy from this so-called Intercollegiate Tournament. I hope that steps are taken by you and the Naismith family to see that this is done.

If you will let me know what you think I should try to do on securing financial assistance from our treasury, I shall immediately put the proposition to our board. I feel very keenly the fact that our association should do something in a financial way to assist this tournament. A dollar from each active membership, I am sure would not be too large an amount to give. I shall be pleased to hear from you immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

Grover, President

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