THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL COACHES OF THE UNITED STATES

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To the Members of the Research Committee and the Basketball Rules Committee of the NBBCA: Gentlemen:

Due to the resignation of Dr. Forrest C. Allen of the University of Kansas as Chairman of the Basketball Rules Committee, our President has requested the Research Committee to take over the important duty of arranging a questionnaire on rules proposals to be presented to every college coach in the United States prior to our meeting in New Orleans.

The results of this study will be correlated with the findings of the Research Committee of the Joint Basketball Rules Committee headed by H. V. Porter. This objective evidence should meet the common criticism that we are only presenting the viewpoint of the few members of our Association. These findings will also be presented to the N.C.A.A. representatives on the Joint Rules Committee.

The Research Committee has spent their time in planning a question-naire study of the trend regarding the molded ball and the fan-shaped backboard. The members of the Rules Committee and others must furnish us with rules suggestions BY RETURN MAIL so we may add these to our question-naire. Suggestions made to date are relative to the rotation of jumpers at center, the introduction of the orange colored rim, enforced substitution, difficulty in uniformity of allowing substitutions to enter after a field goal is scored, action to repeal the rule which allows the offended team to decline a free throw, and the introduction of the center jump in the final three minutes of a game. PLEASE AUGMENT THIS LIST WITH YOUR IDEAS OR WITH IDEAS WHICH YOU HAVE HEARD SUGGESTED AND SEND THEM TO ME BY RETURN MAIL. The questionnaire must go to press not later than Friday, February 27th, to assure return of questionnaires from the West Coast coaches prior to the Convention in New Orleans.

Anticipating your prompt cooperation, I am

Very sincerely, Dair Jullion.

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