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October 24, 2023

Mr. Ralph Errico, Regional Commissioner MIDDLE ATLANTIC BABE RUTH LEAGUES 29 Plafsky Drive Edison, New Jersey 08817

Dear Ralph:

Permission is hereby granted to the Middle Atlantic Region to conduct a Pilot Program during the 2024 Middle Atlantic Regional tournament season in reference to the need for extra innings during tournament games.

This permission allows the use of an automatic runner as defined below:

"All half-innings after the conclusion of the sixth inning (for the Cal Ripken Division) or after the conclusion of the seventh inning (for the Babe Ruth 13-18 Divisions), begin with an automatic runner on second base. The runner placed on second base at the start of each half-inning in extras is the player in the batting order immediately preceding that half-inning's leadoff hitter, or a pinch-runner. So, if the No. 7 hitter in the order is due to lead off, the No. 6 hitter (or a pinch-runner for the No. 6 hitter) would be placed on second base."

Upon conclusion of the 2024 tournament season, please provide me with a report detailing how the Pilot Program affected tournament play. This information will be shared with the Board of Directors.

Best wishes for a successful and enjoyable 2024 season.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Faherty, Jr. Senior Vice President/Commissioner

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