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To: City Commissioners

Re: True Love Waits Rally on February 9th, 2000

This is a letter to request the financial support to cover the cost of the Martin Luther King building and police officers for the True Love Waits Rally on February 9th, 2000 from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. The projected cost is \$200.00 for the building and \$675.00 for the five police officers that will be required.

The True Love Waits Rally is a non-denominational event that challenges middle and high school students to abstain from sex until marriage, as well as encourage them that they can achieve their goals and dreams in life. This is done through the use of student testimonies, guest speakers, and other forms of multi-media production. The event is free to the public. The Alachua County Youth Ministers Association and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes are working together to put on this event. Both organizations are non-profit organizations.

In the past this rally (in the Gainesville area) has attracted 1300 students, and has been held in a church building. However, due to the fact that on the eastside of town there is not a church building large enough to hold such an event, we have been unable to reach these students. This year we really are making every effort to **bridge the gap between the east and westside** of our city and **build into the students on the eastside of town**. That is why we have chosen the Martin Luther King building.

Our speaker will be Damon Dunn, a professional, black football player; presently plays for the Cleveland Browns. Prior to this he played for the Jacksonville Jaguars. If all works out, he will bring some of his friends from the Jaguars as well. They will be available before and after the event to talk with and encourage the students as we sign autographs. We also have an 85 person, black student choir from the Church of God in Christ, Johnson, FL coming as well as a local youth band.

We are very excited about this event! We are expecting 1500 students, and we are making every effort to step up the quality to the next level by introducing different forms of multi-media effects. However, this year we have two costs we have not had in the past, the cost of a building and police officers. This is where **we need your support**. We are asking if the cost of the facility can be waived and if the city commission could cover the cost of the police officers (or whoever would be most appropriate) for the event. We truly believe this will be a life-changing event and will be extremely beneficial to our community. Thank you for your time and prayerful consideration. You can contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,

David C. Lower
(Area Representative FCA)



Purpose of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes

To present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the Church.