Jeffrey Wilkins, Candidate for Vice-Chair of Finance

I am interested in becoming more involved with USA Swimming and would consider it both a privilege and honor to serve on the Michigan Swimming Board of Directors in the coming term. I have several qualifications that would help me be an asset to our organization.

1. I prepare and manage the budget of the customer support helpdesk for McKesson Pharmacy Systems (MPS), the technology arm of McKesson Corporation a Fortune 20 company, with a combined budget of $15-million dollars annually. Our support offices currently reside in Livonia MI, Atlanta GA, Vancouver BC, Landover MD, and Little Rock AR.

2. In my budgetary role I prepare and present to senior management monthly budget summaries across the entire support organization for MPS. I have operational authority in contracting with vendors for the helpdesk. I recently negotiated a contract change resulting in a $10,000 per month savings to the corporation.

3. I served in the United States Navy prior to my employment with MPS from 1983 to 1996. While in the Navy I managed budgets in excess of $50-million dollars including sea-going operational budgets as well as shore facilities.

4. I became involved in swimming because of my children who are competitive swimmers (ages 15 and 17) and are active year round swimmers with the Dearborn Dolphins. I have a unique perspective when looking at swimming as both an official and swim parent. I have seen the positive impact our sport makes on our children, helping them become better global citizens.

5. I am an active official, advancing in USA Swimming. I became a certified official in February 2008 and I am now beginning my work on LSC Deck Referee. I have achieved N2 Certifications as a Stroke & Turn and Chief Judge. I recently completed my evaluation for N3 Stroke & Turn Judge. I intend to continue advancing in the next several years in hopes of being considered for National Championships, FINA competitions, as well as a National Evaluator of officials. This is all in an effort to try and give something back to the swimming community that has given me and my family so much.

My experience, understanding, and leadership will enable me to be an asset to Michigan Swimming. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

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