JERSEY COAST SHARK ANGLERS

16 September 2016

Mr. Roger Goodell

Commissioner

National Football League

345 Park Ave.

New York, NY 10154

Dear Commissioner Goodell:

The Jersey Coast Shark Anglers and its members recommend that the National Football League act upon the egregious behavior your players continue to display during the televised National Anthem.

Our fishing club is comprised of members who are prior military, officers, civil service members, and civilians alike. It is our collective belief that the NFL stage is not the appropriate place for a player, coach or owner to support the furthering of an individual’s political and social ideology. It is strongly recommended that you and the 32 owners stand behind your core values and beliefs during this time of rebellion and dishonorable behavior.

Sundays at the fishing club bar were enjoyed by many members until recently; when we were exposed watching NFL players dishonor our National Anthem and all that encompasses it. While we are surprised that the NFL players continue to dishonor the national anthem, we are more surprised that the NFL supports it. If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem.

That said, we ask that you please take action promptly and with vigor. Until then, we will discontinue televising all NFL games in our bar that support this kind of behavior. Please understand that this discontinuance of the NFL games is not out of protest but out of respect for our nation’s flag, the values and beliefs of our members and United States of America.

A response to this letter is desirable and encouraged. Enclosed is a pre-addressed, pre-stamped envelope for your convenience. We thank you in advance for your time and hope to hear from you.

-The Jersey Coast Shark Anglers