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Mr Rod Dixon

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Dear Rod,

I am delighted to advise you that, at a special Executive meeting of Athletics Nelson on 8 September 2022, you were elected Patron of the Club.

Your initial consent to be nominated and your acceptance of this role is extremely special to Athletics Nelson. This is twofold. The first reason is your amazing lifetime contribution to our sport not only as a world-class athlete and Olympic bronze medallist, but also what you have put back into our sport particularly with the **Rod Dixon Kids Marathon**. To have you as our Patron with your world-renowned reputation is something we can't put a value on.

The second reason is your career started off in the 1960s as a member of the Nelson Amateur Athletic and Cycling Club and Nelson Harrier Club, the forerunners to the current club Athletics Nelson. You became the runner you are with humble beginnings in our hometown.

Rod, the delight our members have shown once they were advised you accepted the position as our Patron was unanimous. The position of Patron sits very comfortably alongside your Life Membership. In both cases, by accepting these honours you have enhanced the standing of our Club in the community. Thank you very much.

Kind regards,

Vern Mardon
(Secretary-Treasurer)