Dear Fellow Officials,

My name is Gary Finkle, and I am running for a council position in this year's election.

I joined the NHFOA in 2014 as an apprentice member and have enjoyed everything that comes with being involved with our association.

Prior to joining the NHFOA, I was heavily involved with coaching youth football. During my time coaching I always felt the officials were respectful, polite, and professional. I knew when my coaching days were done, I wanted to become involved with the official's organization.

What can I offer the NHFOA as a council member? During my time coaching I was also a board member for the Plymouth Huskies Youth football organization. I started out as the treasurer and eventually became President. I learned about the rules and responsibilities that come with running a non-profit organization. During my tenure I grew the organization, improved its financial condition, and wrote, applied for and ultimately received grants for the organization. I was responsible for all communications for the organization and responsible to respond in a timely manner to all requests from, parents, fellow organizations and vendors.

Since joining the NHFOA I have become involved with different committees and sub-committees. In the past I served on the uniform committee. For the past two years I have been part of the mechanics committee. This year I was asked to serve as the assistant mechanics supervisor and asked to be involved with the Arbiter HUB. I was responsible for creating, working on, and coordinating some of the content for our "local" weekly meetings. I was able to work with the apprentice chair, and technology chair on several different occasions this season.

Professionally I have worked for myself and been a business owner for over the past twenty years. I own an insurance agency and deal with many different people every day. As an insurance agent it is my responsibility to "see the future" and provide professional guidance. Running your own business, you learn to work with employees, prioritize tasks and accomplish goals. Annually I am responsible to set attainable goals, lead staff and make sure those goals are met.

My main goal for the NHFOA will be to continue working with the mechanics program and working with our apprentice program to grow our membership and "see the future".

In closing I know I have the ability, board experience, leadership qualities, and communication requirements necessary to represent our members as a council member.

Thank you for your consideration and I ask for your vote

Respectfully
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