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A BILL

TO APPROPRIATE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1000.00) TO THE LSU MINI-BAJA TEAM.

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE LSU MINI-BAJA TEAM IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT DELIVERS OUT OF THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE TO LSU A&M ENGINEERS. AT THE SAME TIME MINI-BAJA REPRESENTS THE STUDENTS OF LSU A&M AT A NATIONAL LEVEL, AND

PARAGRAPH 2: THE MINI-BAJA IS AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ENGINEERING DESIGN COMPETITION FOR UNDERGRADUATE ENGINEERING STUDENTS. THE OBJECT OF THE COMPETITION IS TO SIMULATE REAL-WORLD ENGINEERING DESIGN PROJECTS AND THEIR RELATED CHALLENGES. EACH TEAM IS COMPETING TO HAVE ITS DESIGN ACCEPTED FOR THE MANUFACTURE BY A FICTITIOUS FIRM. THE STUDENTS MUST FUNCTION AS A TEAM NOT ONLY TO DESIGN, BUILD TEST, PROMOTE AND RACE A VEHICLE WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE RULES, BUT ALSO GENERATE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THEIR PROJECT AND MANAGE THEIR EDUCATIONAL PRIORITIES.

PARAGRAPH 3: THE TEAM'S GOAL IN THE COMPETITION IS TO DESIGN AND BUILD A PROTOTYPE OF A FOUR-WHEEL, SINGLE-SEAT, OFFROAD RECREATIONAL VEHICLE INTENDED FOR SALE TO THE NON-PROFESSIONAL WEEKEND OFFROAD ENTHUSIAST. THE VEHICLE MUST BE SAFE, EASILY TRANSPORTED, EASILY MAINTAINED AND FUN TO DRIVE. IT SHOULD BE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE ROUGH TERRAIN WITHOUT DAMAGE. IN A PRODUCTION VOLUME OF (4000) UNITS PER YEAR, THE VEHICLE MANUFACTURING COST MUST BE LESS THAN \$2,500 (MATERIAL COST, OVERHEAD AND TOOLING ARE FACTORED INTO THE COST).

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE BENEFITS TO LSU A&M AND THE STUDENTS OF LSU A&M IS AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING LETTER.

PARAGRAPH 5: THEREFORE, ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS IS HEREY APPROPRIATED TO THE LSU MINI-BAJA TEAM.

PARAGRAPH 5: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE LSU A&M STUDENT SENATE. ALL MONIES NOT USED SHALL REVERT BACK TO THE GENERAL CONTINGENCY. THIS BILL SHALL BECOME NULL AND VOIK AS OF JUNE 30, 1998.