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For Immediate Release,

Special Olympics Nova Scotia (SONS) is proud to announce a new partnership with the Nova Scotia U15 Major Hockey League.

The partnership includes a commitment from the U15 League and its twelve franchises to actively engage with Special Olympics Nova Scotia and raise funds for the organization. The teams and local SONS Regions will work together to actively engage their players with Special Olympics athletes, coaches, and volunteers.

Special Olympics Nova Scotia is committed to enriching the lives of Nova Scotians with an intellectual disability through sport, and this partnership is another example of making this possible. By collaborating with the U15 Major Hockey League, this will open hearts and minds towards people with intellectual disabilities and create inclusive communities in Nova Scotia. Special Olympics will strive for this vision by providing better quality sport opportunities supported through the partnership. At the same time, SONS will step up efforts to use our work to tell the world about the talents and abilities of our athletes.

Special Olympics Nova Scotia and the U15 Major Hockey League is extremely proud and excited for the future of this partnership, and we cannot wait to share all the amazing stories. Through the power of sport, the partnership will create a gateway to empowerment, competence and acceptance.We are dedicated to enriching the lives of athletes with an intellectual disability through sport and we are committed to ensuring this partnership is a positive one, not only for the U15 Hockey League, but also for the 1,700 Special Olympics athletes across this great province.

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