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The New Stadium

Today's action by the Board of Estimate at first analysis appears disappointing. It should not be so construed. On the plus side is the fact the Brooklyn Sports Center Authority members are going to continue in office. Bear in mind that the Authority was requested by Borough President Cashmore, endorsed by the City Council, approved by the Board of Estimate, passed by a bi-partisan sixty-seven percent vote in the State and legislature signed by Governor Harriman at the request of Mayor Wagner. The Governor even came to Brooklyn to sign the law. Such significant support cannot be ignored. The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, the New York City Convention Bureau and all the Citizens Service Club have officially endorsed the plan to keep the Dodgers in Brooklyn where they belong.

We have sold our Montreal and Brooklyn real estate for approximately \$4,000,000 to be in a position to keep our pledge to invest that much money in the new Stadium. We have done our part. I cannot believe that this program is the subject of sabotage. There is still a short time left before we could be forced to take an irrevocable step to commit the Dodgers elsewhere. I am now leaving for Dodgertown, Vero Beach, Fla., and then the West Coast on ball club business. When I return I will hold a press conference on the implications that naturally follow the announced sale of Ebbets Field.

We want to stay in Brooklyn and so do all Dodger fans.

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our Dodger fans want us to stay in Brooklyn and that's where we should be allowed to continue.

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