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ASL NAMES OTTO RADICH COMMISSIONER

NEW YORK, NY - The Board of Governors of the American Soccer League have announced the appointment of Otto Radich as Commissioner of the ASL following a meeting of the Board this weekend in Charlotte, N.C., held in conjunction with the ASL All-Star Game. Mr. Radich was elevated to the office of Commissioner after having served as Acting Commissioner since the resignation of former ASL Commissioner Bob Cousy in December 1979. Mr. Radich has been with the ASL since 1976, and served as Deputy Commissioner under Mr. Cousy. Mr. Radich has been active in American professional soccer for many years, and is a well known and respected figure in both American and international soccer circles.

The Board of Governors also announced the election to the ASL Executive Committee of Vincent Scotto of New York United, and Dr. John Gyekenyesi of the Cleveland Cobras. Mr. Scotto is Chairman of the Board of United, and has been involved with the club since the early 1970's, when it was known as the New York Apollo. He has been a member of the ASL Board of Governors for the past five years. Dr. Gyekenyesi is involved with aerospace technology research for NASA, and has served as an ASL Vice-President in the past, and had been Cleveland's General Manager for the past five years, before moving into the position of Director of Operations in 1980. Other members on the ASL Executive Committee, under Chairman Celeste are Frank Szantho (Golden Gate Gales) Vice-Chairman, William Ehrlich (Pennsylvania Stoners), and John Andreotti (Sacramento Gold).

Ted Celeste also announced that 51% in the New York United membership has been acquired by a new investor, whose name will be announced at a press conference later this week. Celeste indicated that this shift of majority ownership would assure that New York United will continue to play its home games at Shea Stadium in upcoming years.

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