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CHAIRMAN ISRAEL DIRECTIVE TO HOLLYWOOD PARK STEWARDS

INGLEWOOD, CA – The following directive was sent this morning by CHRB Chairman David Israel on behalf of the California Horse Racing Board to the Board of Stewards at Betfair Hollywood Park:

"Kayla Stra's baby can be in the jocks' room. Her nanny can be with the baby. And both the mother and the nanny can do all the things they need to do.

"The CHRB will not tolerate discrimination in any form against anyone for any reason. No special rooms. No one goes to the back of the damn bus. Period.

"In order for a new mother to do her job, certain accommodations need to be made. We clearly do not have a nursery at any of our race tracks, and I don't expect them to be constructed any time soon. Not only can a jockey also be a mother, I'd like to encourage women to consider the possibility and the profession. It is the right thing to do and it is good business.

"Reach out to Stra right now, call her in, straighten this out, restore full rights in the jock's room, and then put her on the phone with me so I can apologize to her on behalf of the CHRB.

"Thank you."

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