



I'd like to thank you for your support;

Way back in November when Alex Carmel, one of my Junior Lynx players, mentioned that he had entered my name into a contest to be named Campbell's Chunky Soup Most Valuable Coach, I was truly touched by the gesture. I thought it was awesome to be nominated for such an award. The idea of winning a national contest just seemed so unbelievable to me at the time.

Then, in February I was contacted by TSN & Campbell's Chunky Soup to let me know that I was chosen to be one of the six finalists in the competition. Which in and of itself was an amazing honour. Now some five weeks later and that I have been crowned this year's winner, I am still in awe as to what has happened. However, I am totally aware that none of this would have been possible if it wasn't for all of your efforts and support during the past five weeks. So please accept from me a heart-felt thank you.

On a personal note it is truly gratifying to know that what I love to do, being a coach and teaching the game of baseball, has had such a positive impact on other people's lives. I have read all the testimonials posted on the Campbell's Soup website and have read all your well wishes I have received via email over the past few weeks and they are all truly very heart-warming and humbling. I am and will be forever grateful for your kind words.

On a closing note I want you all to know that while I have been crowned Campbell's Chunky Soup Most Valuable Coach, I truly believe that this award has been won by all of us. I am fortunate enough to volunteer for two wonderful baseball associations, NDG Minor Baseball & the McGill University Redbirds, and to work with some incredible people. I believe that this award is our award and that today we all should be proud to be part of Campbell's Chunky Soup Most Valuable Team.

Thanks again,

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