



February 20, 2012

Harry McGrath
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Dear Harry,

I am pleased to offer our support for the proposed dotScot (gTLD) aimed at providing a clear identity for Scottish interests and culture on the web.

We represent around 1300 member households. Though most of our members live in the Chicago area, we have members across the United States and around the world. Established in 1845, our Scottish Society is the oldest 501(c)3 charity in Illinois. Today the Society has grown into the largest Scottish cultural organization in North America. The Society nourishes Scottish identity through service, fellowship and celebration of Scottish culture. The CHICAGO SCOTS welcome everyone who is Scottish by birth, by heritage or simply by inclination. In addition to offering scholarships and organizing events and initiatives to educate, entertain and promote both traditional and contemporary Scottish culture, the Society offers a range of elder care services at our Scottish Home.

We are particularly keen to see the dotScot Registry bid succeed and believe the not for profit model is appropriate for this type of community interest. Should you be successful in your application to ICANN we would be very interested in acquiring a dotScot domain ourselves, and promoting its availability to our members. Please do keep us informed of developments in this regard.

Yours, with my best and friendship Aye,

Gus Noble
President

Celebrating Scottish identity on behalf of the Illinois Saint Andrew Society