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"Andrew Zimbalist is a perpetual source of insight on the economics and administration of modern sports. When weighing the very real risks and rewards of hosting major international events, political leaders and informed citizens should carefully consider the information and arguments presented here before rolling the dice."—**Bob Costas**, *Broadcaster, NBC Sports and Major League Baseball Network*

"It's time for cities to stop the mega-sports madness. Andrew Zimbalist shows why hosting the Olympics and the World Cup is almost always a boondoggle. Great stuff!"—**Richard Florida**, *Director of the University of Toronto's Martin Prosperity Institute and author of The Rise of the Creative Class*

"Andrew Zimbalist documents how the officials who run the international sports organizations that authorize these events profit handsomely, while host cities and nations experience ever-increasing losses, and why before-the-fact claims that such events will deliver long-term economic benefits typically are wildly inaccurate."—**Roger Noll**, *Professor of Economics, Stanford University*

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"*Circus Maximus* shines a bright light on the much-needed discussion about the unconscionable expense surrounding both the bidding process and hosting of the Olympics and the World Cup. The perfectly titled book will leave you gasping for reform. Immediately."—**Julie Foudy**, *ESPN analyst, former U.S. national soccer team captain-winner of two World Cups and three Olympic medals*

"Indispensable for anyone who wants to understand the impact of hosting the Olympics."— ***Evan Horowitz***, *Boston Globe*

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