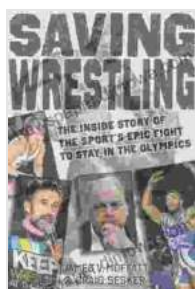


# The Inside Story of the Sport Epic's Fight to Stay in the Olympics

In the annals of Olympic history, there are few sports that have faced the adversity and uncertainty that has plagued wrestling. For decades, it has been a fixture in the Games, showcasing the strength, skill, and determination of athletes from around the world. However, in recent years, wrestling's place in the Olympics has been under threat, with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) considering its removal from the program.



## Saving Wrestling: The Inside Story of the Sport's Epic Fight to Stay in the Olympics by Jessica Verdi

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The news sent shockwaves through the wrestling community, sparking outrage and disbelief. Wrestlers, coaches, and fans alike rallied together to save their beloved sport, launching a global campaign that would culminate in a dramatic vote at the IOC Session in Buenos Aires.

In this exclusive and comprehensive account, we delve into the heart of the fight to keep wrestling in the Olympics. Through exclusive interviews with key figures, including wrestlers, coaches, IOC members, and Olympic officials, we reveal the untold story of the struggle that unfolded behind the scenes.

We trace the origins of the crisis, exploring the complex factors that led the IOC to question wrestling's continued inclusion in the Games. We examine the IOC's concerns about the sport's global popularity, its perceived lack of gender equality, and its vulnerability to doping.

We follow the wrestlers and their supporters as they mounted a fierce defense of their sport, showcasing its rich history, its cultural significance, and its universal appeal. We witness the tireless efforts of athletes like Jordan Burroughs, Helen Maroulis, and Adeline Gray, who used their voices and their platforms to advocate for wrestling.

We chronicle the strategic maneuvers and intense lobbying that took place in the lead-up to the IOC vote. We reveal the behind-the-scenes negotiations, the passionate speeches, and the eleventh-hour deal-making that ultimately secured wrestling's future.

The story we tell is one of resilience, determination, and triumph. It is a testament to the power of sport to unite people, overcome adversity, and inspire generations.

## **Exclusive Interviews**

This book features exclusive interviews with the following key figures:

- **Jordan Burroughs**, Olympic gold medalist and 2016 World Champion
- **Helen Maroulis**, Olympic gold medalist and 2018 World Champion
- **Adeline Gray**, Olympic bronze medalist and three-time World Champion
- **Dr. Nenad Lalovic**, President of United World Wrestling
- **Thomas Bach**, President of the International Olympic Committee
- **Craig Spence**, Executive Director of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee

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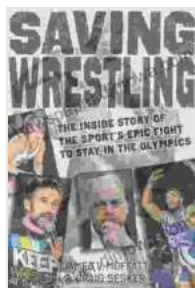
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