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SUN MING MING ADDS TO FLIGHT'S HIGH HOPES FOR SEASON THREE

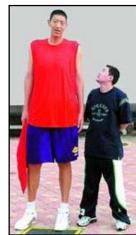
Grand Rapids, MI— Grand Rapids Flight head coach David Fox announced today that 7'9", 370lb. Chinese sensation Sun Ming Ming will arrive this week to assume his role as the starting

center for the IBL's Flight.

In the past year, he has garnered national attention, highlighted by appearances on The Today Show, Jimmy Kimmel Live, and the Discovery Health channel. Sun has also been featured in *Sports Illustrated*, *New York Newsday* and the *New York Times*. Sun will also appear in the feature film "Rush Hour 3" with Jackie Chan, coming out later this year.

Sun, who suffered from acromegaly, or gigantism, successfully underwent surgery last year to remove a life-threatening pituitary tumor. For the past month, Sun has been playing in front of sellout crowds in the ABA in preparation for his full-season of play in Grand Rapids.

"We are extremely excited to have Sun playing for us this season," said Flight coach David Fox. "He will be an exciting player to watch as he continues to improve and develop into an NBA-caliber center."



Grand Rapids Flight's 7'9" Center Sun Ming Ming

The addition of Sun adds even more height to a roster that already boasts five other players 6'9 and taller. The Flight will open their home season on April 6th against the Lansing Capitals.

About the IBL

Two unique features distinguish the IBL from other professional basketball leagues:

- **1.** An entertaining game. By allowing only <u>one timeout per quarter</u>, and reducing the time between plays with an <u>immediate inbounds policy</u>, IBL games are always fast and entertaining. IBL teams average 127 points per contest; just as important—games last only two hours.
- **2. Extremely low travel costs**. The IBL promises a maximum of one trip per season requiring air travel. This 'one flight guarantee' that teams enjoy promotes financial health and longevity for IBL teams. In fact, **all 17 teams** completed the first IBL season (the 2005 season); as well, **all 24 teams** completed the 2006 season.

The IBL is now heading into the third year of play with tip-off in March of 2007.

For more information, photos and videos about IBL teams and/or the IBL itself, visit the league web site www.iblhoopsonline.com