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**SECOND Ebay AUCTION OF “SPRINGFIELD”
EMERALDS
JERSEYS NOW ONLINE**

First Auctions Raise \$377.00 for the Library Foundation

Baseball fans from Japan, Canada and locally are the proud owners of fifteen “Springfield Emeralds” jerseys that were part of the first round of Ebay auctions that ended last night. A second set of ten jerseys is now online with a final auction is set for next week.

What: Game worn, autographed jerseys from the July 30 “Springfield Emeralds” game are up for auction, until Sunday, September 19 on Ebay with 100% of the proceeds benefiting the Springfield Public Library Foundation. A small number of these jerseys were produced for players and coaches, so they are extremely limited. The starting bid for each jersey will be \$19.99. Jersey photo attached.

When: The second auction of ten jerseys started on Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. with **auctions ending on Sunday, September 19**. The final selection of jerseys will be placed online during the week of September 19.

Where: Online at http://shop.ebay.com/springfieldcmo/m.html?_dmd=1&_ipg=50&_sop=10&_rdc=1 Or Ebay keywords: SPRINGFIELD OR Emeralds Game Used Minor League Jersey

Background: As part of the City of Springfield’s 125th Anniversary events, the Eugene Emeralds Baseball Team (an affiliate of the San Diego Padres) partnered with the City of Springfield to change their name to the “Springfield” Emeralds for one night on July 30. Players wore blue button down Springfield Oregon jerseys and the night celebrated Springfield with on-field events, videos and fireworks.

The mission of the **Springfield Public Library Foundation** is to enhance the facilities, resources, and scope of services of the Library through fundraising and to create an endowment that will continue to support and grow library service into the future.