



June 9, 2026

Patrick Gruszka, driver of car 243, withdrew from SOFR last week. What we didn't know then is that he withdrew out of an abundance of caution due to an unforeseen health concern. He reached out to us today to let us know that after extensive testing he is medically cleared for competition and would like to re-enter SOFR. He previously met all the requirements of entry and only withdrew due to a very specific, unusual, unforeseen situation that I don't expect to happen again.

The GCRs do not clearly handle this situation, so there is no clear path for the stewards. The opening paragraph of the GCRs gives the Competition Director the authority to grant exceptions such as these. I am granting the re-entry of car 243.

J.B. Niday

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JB Niday', with a stylized flourish at the end.

ARA Deputy Competition Director