From: Diana Watzke
To: MVN Environmental;
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Dear Mr. Owen,

Coconut Beach serves many unique purposes that can not be sought out anywhere else in the City. This complex serves as a place for friends, co-workers, family and community to come together and celebrate life. I started playing ball at Coconut prior to Katrina and fell in love. After the storm, we thought it may not come back but Bruce and the owners rallied, gained support re-built and healed hearts. To sit on that sand for the first time after Katrina I truly felt like I was home again and I can't bear to have that taken away again. As a concerned citizen, who owns property on the 17th Canal, I truly understand your position but have to think there is way to come together and protect the community while at the same time offering its citizens a place to enjoy the wonderful breeze of the lake front amongst friends.

As we wrap up the spring season, I am seeing another generation of beach goers as my 4 and 2 year old nephews come out to play in the sand and they even bounce the ball around. Please help to save our complex which has done so much to help the healing of its community after the storm for this generation and those to come.

Sincerely,

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