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Gib Owen,

In the past year, Coconut Beach has become my favorite place to be. Before that I played collegiate indoor volleyball in Mobile, Al. When I returned home after graduation, I didn't know what to do with myself - for the first time I didn't have a volleyball team to practice with every day. A friend invited me to play in a league at Coconut Beach and I jumped at the opportunity to play again. This past year I have enjoyed learning to play beach volleyball and making new friends. I currently play at Coconuts at least three times a week. This week, in addition to league nights and pick-up games, I am playing in the Corona Wide open on Saturday and Sunday. When people ask me, "What do you do for fun?" I tell them, "I play volleyball at Coconuts." I tell people, "If I've never told you, 'I can't go, I have volleyball,' then you haven't invited me many places."

Coconut Beach has helped me fill a void in my life. I would hate to see it destroyed to build a pumping station. I understand that measures have to be taken to protect the city. I urge you to communicate with Bruce White and try to find a way that the pumping station and Coconut Beach can coexist.

Thank you for reading,
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