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Dear Mr. Owens,
I would like to tell you a little bit about myself. I am currently in LSUHSC's Nursing School here in New Orleans. Prior to entering nursing school, I played volleyball for four years at LSU in Baton Rouge and prior to that at Mount Carmel Academy here in New Orleans. Beyond that, I played for several different clubs. With this being said, I can tell you that volleyball has been an integral part of my life since I was 8 years old. During high school, I always knew about Coconut Beach, but never really became interested in beach volleyball until about 2 years ago.

Coconut Beach is a place where all creeds, races, and skill levels can unite for the common bond of simple competition. This establishment is not only a lot filled with sand, but it is a place where friends are made, bonds are formed, and volleyball becomes the common interest among family.

While I, of course, want to protect the city, first and foremost, I do think that it would be detrimental to the community and its surrounding areas to have Coconut Beach be commandeered.

Please take this plea to keep Coconut Beach to the best of yours, the Corp of Engineers, and the City of New Orleans' ability. This truly is a wonderful place and should be spared to the best of your ability!

Thanks for your time and consideration. I greatly appreciate it.

Thanks again,
Lauren Leaumont

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