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Mr. Owen,

Count me among the hundreds of volleyball players who are fortunate enough to play at coconut beach ever week.

By now I'm sure you've heard countless stories about how Coconut Beach affected and continues to affect people's lives.

Let me forgo the typical response and make sure you know some stats:

* Weekday leagues are played throughout the week.
* An average of 14+ nets per night
* Each net hosts 8 teams
* Each team typically has 6 players (not including alternates)

By my calculations, that makes for a total of 59 nets (total) x 8 teams x 6 players = 2,832 players who hit the sand... each week!

That doesn't include friends and families that come to support the teams or the bar. It doesn't include the bartenders, referees or the jobs provided. And that doesn't even start to quantify the 26 scheduled volleyball tournaments scheduled for 2009 that draws people from out of state and provides money for charity (the Children's Hospital volleyball tournament is scheduled for May 30th)

I hope you have had the chance to understand how much Coconut Beach means to so many people.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Bordes
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10-year Coconuts Veteran