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Dear Mr Owen,
I just want you to know how much Coconut Beach means to me. I have played out at Coconut since I was in 6th grade and now I am a referee out there which is currently my only job. Coconut beach is more of home to me then anywhere else. When I was in my senior year my parents had kicked me out right before I was suppose to graduate while I was doing my senior internship at Coconut Beach. I was living with a good friend in Norco and had no ride to Coconut. The closest I could get was to Airline and Clearview and from there I walked which is about a 3 hr walk. Finishing my internship for Bruce and Coconut was very important to me because they have been there for me in the worst. After I graduated I knew that I would rather be on some kind of good terms with my parents so I called them and told them how we should put things behind us and forgive and forget. They invited me back in. When I had got back I saw that they had sold my car to my neighbors so I saw it everyday. Thankfully my parents where paying for me to attend college at UNO. When the school year was over, I moved back in with them for the summer. Toward the end of the summer they told me that they were not paying for me to go back to college and kicked me out again. I never had much support from my family and did not have much luck fixing any of my problems with them. But when I came out to Coconut many of my friends there helped me out and were always there when I needed them. I am still on good terms with my parents because its better to have a relationship then none but I am an independent and expect nothing from them. I live with a friend who is also a referee at Coconut. My parents house is not my home and neither is my friends. Coconut Beach is my home and I would do anything to keep Coconut Beach. I understand you need to protect the city but you don't need the entire complex to do that. Do you? There has to be a way where the pumping station and Coconut Beach can co-exist. I can honestly say that I love Coconut Beach, Bruce, and everybody else involved in the place more than anything else. Please do not take the only good thing in my life away. Coconut Beach is a bigger part of this city then you think.