From: Elena Martinez
To: MVN Environmental;
Subject: SAVE COCONUT BEACH
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Mr. Owen,

I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know how important Coconut Beach is to the surrounding community. Not only is the complex a place for people to play volleyball on a daily basis, it is also an escape, a place to go hang out after a long day of school or work. I'm sure you know how important a place like that can be! It is place where ANYONE is welcome, from young children to teens, adults, families, even pets! I have spent countless nights out there since I was in middle school. Now I am graduating college, with plans to move back to New Orleans. I played on the LSU Volleyball team and am now training to be a professional beach player on the AVP. Coconut Beach is my home; the place where I intend to train and become a professional athelete. I have several friends that also train at coconut beach with me multiple times a week. The long of the short is: PLEASE DO NOT GET RID OF COCONUT BEACH!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! It means SO much to everyone around here and it is the single place within 50 miles that we can play beach volleyball, especially at the high level it alone provdies. I hope you will reconsider and find an alternative to destroying such a beautiful and necessary part of our community!

Sincerely,
Elena Martinez