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On Behalf Of:

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Topic:

The Osborn Aquatic Center in Corvallis functions as much more than a local swimming facility for teaching children to swim. The competitive events hosted at this center are immensely beneficial to the entire swimming community within Oregon and beyond. These multi-day swim meets significantly contribute to the local economy while offering exceptional competitive opportunities for our athletes.

Oregon boasts numerous waterways that entice children to swim; however, without adequate swimming skills, these waters can pose significant dangers. As a swim coach, my objective extends beyond the success of my swimmers in the sport; it encompasses ensuring that everyone possesses the skills necessary for safe participation in activities such as boating, swimming, and surfing along the coast.

I respectfully request that funding be allocated to facilitate the reopening of this invaluable resource - the Osborn Aquatic Center in Corvallis.

Thank you for your consideration.

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