Submitter: Mary Elizabeth Braun

On Behalf Of: Osborn Aquatic Center

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On

**Capital Construction** 

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Dear Representatives and Senators,

I am writing to urge you to support Senator Sara Gelser-Blouin's request to fund repairs of the Osborn Aquatic Center's roof. Osborn is a much-used, beloved fixture in Corvallis, Benton County, and even beyond. I've been a regular year-round lap swimmer at Osborn for over 5 years, and continue to be impressed with the wide variety of people who regularly use the pool: babies, children, teen-agers, adults, seniors, families, local and area swim teams. Since it opened in 1977, thousands of children have learned to swim at Osborn, many many people have benefited from aquatic exercise classes there, and countless swim meets---high school, master's, special Olympics, local/state/regional---have brought significant revenue into Corvallis. It plays a vital, unique role in community well-being and economic vitality. Thank you for consideration of the Senator's request. Sincerely, Mary Elizabeth Braun, Corvallis OR