From: Pablo Neyertz

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To: Council Northernbeaches Mailbox

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Dear Northern Beaches Council,

My name is Pablo Neyertz, and with my wife Flavia we are writing this email to express our strong support for the DA of the subject proposing the construction of the indoor Recreation Facility in Nolan Reserve.

We live in Lane Cove and our 14 years old son Lucas has a passion for gymnastics. He has been training since he was 5 years old, and last year we decided to move him to the Manly Warringah Gymnastics Club (MWGC or the Club) due to its great reputation and following word-of-mouth in the NSW's gymnastics community.

This has not been an easy decision - moving to Manly involved hours on the road and inconvenience with logistics, but we ended up doing it after seeing how determined and keen our son was to join the Club. It did not take long for us to realise the caliber of the coaches and amazing community of MWGC. Since our arrival at the Club, we've came across involved parents all doing their best for their kids to be healthy, disciplined, resilient, committed, organised and plenty of other attributes that can mainly be acquired through gymnastics and related disciplines. Most of these skills are not even taught at school and this is exactly what MWGC offers to its community.

I've mentioned the story of our kid so far; only one story of participation in only one of the disciplines offered by The Club. On the top of that, in my long hours working from the car while waiting for the training to finish, I've witnessed hundreds of parents bringing their boys and girls to be part of the many other disciplines. It looks to me that the excellence of the programs implemented by the Club has generated an important participation of children and teenagers in an activity which is far from being one of the most popular ones.

We believe that if the gym is moved from an old building to a world-class state-of-the-art facility, the Club will be projected to another level and, as a result, the number of new participants introduced in the great routine of gymnastics and related activities will substantially increase. That's the reason, and not only for our son's benefit, why we strongly support the approval of this proposal.

Finally, it is worthy to highlight that if this project is approved, the council and the whole community will capitalise on the experience gained by the directors, management and employees of the Club in the last many numbers of years, which is what has ultimately given the Club the well-deserved great reputation.

Looking forward to seeing this magnificent project approved and developed in the next few years. Kind regards,

Pablo & Flavia Neyertz