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To Whom it may Concern,

My name is Alex Hunt and I am writing to you today as the NSW Technical Director of Men's Gymnastics in full support of the proposed new facility for Manly Warringah Gymnastics Club.

The Men' Gymnastics (MAG) program which operates out of MWGC is one of the strongest in the state regularly receiving nominations and winning them at the state's Annual Award presentation night. The club is also home to some of the state's most successful senior athletes, who in 2023 made up nearly 40% of our state team which attended the Australian Gymnastics Championships. These numbers of contribution are consistent over a number of years from MWGC and should the club be unable to secure a new venue, there are significant concerns over where the members for our state team will come from.

In addition, the club is highlighted as a venue through which state endorsed competitions and training sessions can be held. These are at both the developmental and competitive levels, for gymnasts only just starting their athletic journey all the way to those aiming for international opportunities. It is also a central hub for MAG on the northern beaches, a region where gymnastics clubs are already so few and limited..

The MAG program at MWGC is a significant contributor to the success of men's gymnastics in NSW and I fear what will occur in the event that the club should be unable to secure a new home. The club plays a major role in the operations of the state association and has my full support for the development of a new facility. The proposed location proves to be an opportunity for the furthered success of our sport as well as a development opportunity for future gymnasts on the northern beaches.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

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Kind Regards,  
Alexander Hunt  
Men's Technical Director - Gymnastics NSW