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RE: Proposed Expansion of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of Rowing Canada Aviron (RCA) in support of the concerns raised by the Vancouver Rowing Club (VRC) regarding the proposed expansion of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club (RVYC) in Coal Harbour.

The VRC is a member in good standing with RCA and is considered a leader in our community for the implementation of comprehensive safety protocols. We concur with the concerns the club has outlined regarding the RVYC proposal and also think that proceeding with the expansion as described would compromise rowing in Coal Harbour.

The club has supported RCA programming including recent parrowing specific initiatives, and because of its highly populated location, helps us raise the profile of rowing in Canada. We want to ensure rowing remains in Coal Harbour and believe the alternative proposed by the VRC meets typical safety best practices for day-to-day training and should be considered so that everyone can enjoy the water. Alongside our Provincial partner Rowing British Columbia, we ask that we be involved in ongoing conversations to ensure that rowing remains in Coal Harbour and so we can provide advice to ensure technical and safety needs are met.

Please feel free to contact myself as representative of Rowing Canada Aviron should you have questions or require additional information.

Kind regards,

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