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Dear Mayor and Councillors;

I am 76 years of age and have lived in Central Saanich for the majority of my life. I play pickleball normally 5 days per week and find the game keeps me physically active, healthy, and socially connected.

I am writing to express my strong support for the motion to covert tennis court #1 at Centennial Park into 4 permanent, dedicated pickleball courts. Currently, there are no public dedicated pickleball courts on the Saanich Peninsula, despite the sport's growing popularity and its recent surpassing of tennis in participation numbers across North America. With the closure of courts in North Saanich, the demand for pickleball facilities has increased significantly, leaving players with limited options.

While the multi-sports box being built in Central Saanich will include temporary pickleball lines and nets, access to these courts will be heavily restricted due to the priority for lacrosse and sharing the facility with other sports programs. Dedicated pickleball courts with permanent nets and lines would provide much needed space for the community to enjoy the sport without scheduling conflicts. Additionally, this project would come at no cost to Central Saanich as the pickleball associations and community have committed to financing the conversion.

I urge you to support this motion and help meet the growing demand for pickleball facilities in our community! Thank you for considering this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Doug Ferguson  
Twin View Drive

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