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Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I want to express my support for the conversion of tennis court #1 at Centennial Park to four permanent pickleball only courts.

I feel strongly that the conversion of court #1 to pickleball will be a great benefit to the community. Having the dedicated pickleball courts will provide opportunity for pickleball players in the Saanich peninsula area where there are currently no purpose built pickleball courts to meet the current and growing demands for playing pickleball. While there are 15 courts built for tennis on the Peninsula there are zero dedicated courts for pickleball on the peninsula despite it being one of the fastest growing sports, and accessible for all ages.

The multi-sports box being built in Central Saanich is a wonderful addition to the sports facilities, however it will be primarily used for lacrosse and this along with the other sports and Panorama programs will result in very limited time available for pickleball at the multi-sports box. Having a dedicated pickleball courts will help minimize the competing demands for the new multi-sports box as well.

I belong to the Peninsula Community Pickleball Club (PCPC) and believe there is very real need for these dedicated pickleball courts. As a member of the PCPC and a resident living on the peninsula I support this move that will be financed by the pickleball associations resulting in no cost to Central Saanich.

Please support pickleball players by approving this motion.

With sincere thanks,

Forrest Kvemshagen

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