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Dear mayor and councillors,

I am in full support of having four Pickleball courts permanently set up at court 1 in Centennial Park. Right now there aren't any purpose built Pickleball courts in the Saanich Peninsula, especially with the closure of the courts in North Saanich. And there are already 15 permanent outdoor tennis courts in Saanich. Also, in North America, pickleball participation numbers have surpassed tennis participation. The multi-sports box being built in Central Saanich will have some pickleball lines and temporary nets. However, access to use the pickleball courts will be severely restricted since lacrosse is the main tenant and the multi sports building will also accommodate sports activities from Panorama rec centre.

A purpose-built pickleball court has permanent nets and lines for pickleball only.

The pickleball associations and the pickleball community will finance the conversion so there will not be any cost to Central Saanich.

Please move forward with designating only 1 of the tennis courts at Centennial park to make 4 permanent pickleball courts for us all to enjoy.

Thanks so much,

Sincerely,

Koko

Koko H. Saar

Avid pickleball and tennis player

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