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Dear Sherbrook Pool Supporter:

Can you believe it? Once again we need your help in saving Sherbrook Pool. The 2004 Public Use Facility Study (commissioned by City Hall) calls for the “surplusing” of this pool. Surplusing equals closure. The report proposes that an “urban oasis” pool be built to replace it several blocks away on Portage Avenue.

In response to this study, Friends of Sherbrook Pool proposes:

- That Sherbrook Pool be incorporated into any new urban oasis plan for the neighbourhood, so that Winnipeg residents may enjoy both the historic and the new without sacrificing one for the other.

That any new urban oasis be located either in a joint structure or as close to Sherbrook Pool as possible so that it can function as a joint facility.

That Sherbrook Pool be upgraded as outlined in Phase Two of the original long-term plan made between City Council and the Friends of Sherbrook Pool in 1994. This will ensure that the 1.4million dollars from all three levels of government spent on Phase One will not be wasted.

Whether you value the pool for its heritage, architecture, warm water, sloping floor or for programs such as KISWIM which has funded free swimming lessons for 2000 local children since 1994, we need to let City Hall know what we think.

We are asking pool users, local residents, community leaders and elected officials to write a brief letter of endorsement for Sherbrook Pool to the Mayor and city councilors. We will compile these letters and send copies to the different levels of government, so please mail you letter to:

**Friends of Sherbrook Pool Inc.
403-15 Carlton Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 1N8**

Your letter should be addressed to: **Dear Mayor Katz and City Council.**

If you wish to be more involved, please call **942-6241**, or include your phone number when mailing us.

Thank you,

Randy Conway, President
Friends of Sherbrook Pool, Inc.