

TO: White Mountain Aquatic
Foundation
August 20th, 2009

We enthusiastically support the White Mountain Aquatic Foundation's fund raising efforts to establish a year-round swimming facility. Swimming is a lifetime sport for all ages and we feel that the Mount Washington Valley would greatly benefit from a dedicated aquatic center. Such a facility would enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

We believe that a modern aquatic center would encourage individuals and families to participate in an exercise-oriented, fun-filled environment that would promote a healthy lifestyle as well as developing new skills for our young swimmers and maintaining heart and lung function for the elderly. As a current user of our existing public swimming facilities, it is apparent that, although functional, they are limited in size and support facilities and are unable to provide the sort of quality experience envisioned by the White Mountain Aquatic Foundation.

The development of the White Mountain Aquatic Center could also allow our Public/Private schools an opportunity to establish intramural swim teams; a possibility that has always been out of reach due to the lack of suitable facilities. We encourage our community to support this worthwhile endeavor. The Mount Washington Valley is a unique place and the development of the White Mountain Aquatic Center can only enhance our reputation as a year-round destination and a wonderful place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,

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