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June 7, 2025

To Mayor Nuttall and City Councilors

Cc: City Clerk

The Barrie Sports Hall of Fame is very much in support of the proposed combined recreation facility in the south end. We feel that this is a wise economic decision to combine Hewitt and Salem into one, reduce construction costs, reduce facility and staffing costs and provide a strong beneficial impact on sport, recreation and Tourism for our City

Barrie has a rich sports and cultural history and this type of facility will have a strong impact on driving sport tourism, community recreation, as well as bringing tournaments and social gatherings to and in our community.

Over 40 years the city has celebrated our "Barrie Sport Heroes" through our Inductee picture displays and artifacts of the past and future at Allandale Recreation Center. We now have outgrown the space needed as we have over 120 inductees and as our city grows the accomplishments of the athletes and builders will grow significantly.

This new center will drive Barrie Sport tourism while enhancing the significance of Barrie as a sport destination. Barrie and Council have this opportunity to make this facility an important center for the public and visitors to see the cultural, historical and art of our wonderful city. This new facility would be the ideal location for a new home for the Barrie Sports Hall of Fame to display that cultural and historical significance of Barrie's outstanding and long sport history.

Congratulations on making Barrie a better place and thinking into the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Sample".

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