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To Whom It May Concern:

Recently, the idea has been proposed to convert the former Church in the City space next to East into a community recreation center. We, the student body of East High School, whole-heartedly support the idea, for the following reasons:

- **Student Life.** The proposed center would be an ideal after school hangout for students, with many benefits. Instead of hanging around Colfax, these students would be in a safe environment, where they could also stay in shape.
- **Space.** Currently, East is extremely overcrowded. We would love to see the Rec Center also have co curricular space (ie an Arts and Science center, small theater, etc...)This idea would invariably free up classroom space, and make room for academic offerings of an even higher caliber.
- **Location.** The space is an excellent location. It is far enough away so that community members are not swamped by high school students (ie coming back from lunch), but close enough to allow easy student access.
- **Community.** East is a very special school, and this proposal could only enhance the East experience. And an excellent school always leads to an excellent community environment.

We urge city leaders to support the proposal, because it directly benefits the community and the student body.

Sincerely,

East High School Student Council