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Dear Mayor Winstead,

I am pleased to share positive feedback about the Shoreline Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department of Shoreline government.

Last year I was babysitting my grandson and remembered that in your Recreation Guide and on your website you offer a toddler Indoor Playground daily at the Spartan Recreation Center, so I brought him to it. It was a very positive experience for him and developmentally appropriate, so his Nanny and parents continued to bring him once or twice a week. Seeing his development and the safe environment throughout the recreation rooms, his parents signed him up for one of the Toddle Time Tumbling classes. I took him to one of these classes and was impressed with both the teacher and the organized physical activities. My Grandson continues in the next series of classes and still comes to the Indoor Playground. Recently his parents signed him up for soccer through Shoreline Parks and Rec and he is enjoying that as well. Being in the Spartan Center frequently, I've noticed so many classes for all ages that are well attended and enjoyable.

Mary Anne Kelly encourages new class options and the staff follows her lead. Recently, my Grandson's Nanny asked about art classes available for young people. The Spartan Center Front Desk Staff referenced a class available for 4 year olds. When she asked if there was anything for younger children to encourage them to begin to understand and love art, they appreciated her idea and asked her if she would like to offer one.

Shoreline Parks and Recreation and the Spartan Center provide activities not available to people in other communities and draws participants from surrounding areas. When my Grandson moved to Bothell, my daughter and I began looking into the Bothell, Woodinville, Kirkland and Edmonds communities for opportunities for him to continue his growth and development a little closer to home. There is nothing comparable to Shoreline and what the Spartan Recreation Center offers. He continues to come here to enjoy and learn through Shoreline's Parks and Recreation.

Mary Anne Kelly is a source of encouragement and organization. I've had the opportunity to teach classes for the past 5 years and appreciate her openness to new ideas and her dedication to each instructor's needs for the right facility and equipment.

Thank you, Mayor Winstead and Shoreline City Government for making good health a priority for people of all ages in Shoreline and the surrounding communities.

Sincerely,

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