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Dear Kristin,

I still regret that I could not make it to the Estabrook Dam review meeting on the evening of March 22nd, but I very much appreciate the opportunity that I had to talk with you a few days later. Per your advice, I am now sending you a few words in support of "Preserving Estabrook".

Initially, I should state that I am in complete concurrence with all of the reasons that I have heard and read about the importance of keeping this Milwaukee legacy and landmark intact for now and for the future. I would, however, like to place some additional emphasis on how critical the continuation of dam is to having a favorable impact on our current Milwaukee area youth. Virtually all young people are attracted to the water, and the opportunities it affords for such wholesome activities as skating, cross country skiing, swimming, fishing, boating, playing games, and simply gossiping along the shoreline. This is in contrast to the many opportunities which are presented to them for unwholesome activities every day. For many of these young people, society has created an environment that almost leads them to these unwholesome activities. Thus, whenever we have an opportunity to provide an attractive alternative to these unwholesome activities, it is incumbent upon us to seize the opportunity and nurture it in every way possible.

The restoration and preservation of the Estabrook Dam represents such an opportunity, and I fervently hope that the Department Of Natural Resources will treat it accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

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P.S. Should anyone desire to communicate with me on this issue, my Cellphone number is (414) 839-4312, and the best Email address is vielehr@alum.mit.edu