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re Woodruff Family YMCA Branch, Milford, CT

I am currently a member of the Board of Trustees of the Central Connecticut Coast YMCA (the corporate group) after serving on the Milford-Orange branch and corporate boards as a member and chairman.

I joined the Y in the late 80s at the then Milford-Orange branch of the New Haven YMCA to add resistance training to my running and biking. A couple of years later I was approached and asked to join the branch board in Milford. I did and my education about the mission of the YMCA began.

At that time I had no idea that our YMCA and all YMCAs were involved in so many programs - locally, nationally and worldwide. Since then, I've traveled and worked with our Y and YMCA groups nationally and internationally to find that no matter where the YMCA is the mission of improving life for everyone they contact is basic.

The Capital Campaign brochure outlines how the branch has changed our member's lives and how the branch plans to meet the ongoing needs of the community.

The walls of the coming expansion are already in place, it only needs completion. I urge your support of the Woodruff Family branch expansion into the second level so those needs will be met and more members can take advantage of the community support the YMCA provides.

My wife and I have pledged \$75,000 toward the project. If I could, I would write a check for the entire project so the branch can move



ahead right now because the YMCA has had such a significant impact on my life!

Thank you,

