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## **RESPONSE TO SOUTH SHORES CHURCH PRESS RELEASE**

The *Voices of Monarch Beach (VOMB)*, a neighborhood preservation group, wishes to announce its appreciation of South Shores Church's recent press release concerning the developer's Master Plan for expansion. The decision to pursue a more thorough Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project is welcomed.

VOMB appreciates that the developer has finally recognized its responsibility for further environmental review and input from its concerned neighbors. We look forward to working with the City of Dana Point and the developer to achieve a less massive, less invasive and more reasonably sized project.

We intend to remain actively engaged, to provide greater input regarding a more refined and specific mitigation list during this extensive review process.

We firmly believe that down-sizing it from the prior submission will result in a development plan that would be better aligned with the sensitive nature and limitations of its location and could work within the current building footprint. A smaller project also honors the developer's stated goal of being responsive to the surrounding Salt Creek Scenic Corridor neighbors.

Signed,

**Steering Committee** *Voices of Monarch Beach*

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