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Statement from The City of Humboldt on NEW SPORTS COURT FLOORING

Humboldt, SK – The City of Humboldt and the Department of Community and Leisure Services is pleased to announce the installation of the new "Sports Court Flooring" in the Curling Rink which is now open to the public for use.

This innovative flooring lays overtop the existing concrete flooring in the curling rink when the ice is out and converts it into a practical and useful multi-purpose sports court surface. This will provide many sports groups, casual walkers, and other community users an accessible indoor location for practices and other forms of physical fitness.

Community and Leisure Services was approached by the "Humboldt Hustlers Club Volleyball" team who were looking for a location to practice. The total cost of the flooring was estimated to cost approximately \$40,000. The expense was shared with The Hustlers who were able to secure \$10,000 in funding through Sask. Volleyball, and the City was able to provide an additional \$10,000 through a Saskatchewan Lottery Grant. This left a balance of \$20,000 to complete the project.

"Following the 2017-18 Humboldt Broncos Tragedy, there were two donations made for a total of \$20,000 in memory of Jacob Leicht, Brody Hinz and Tyler Bieber. The donors had requested that the funds be utilized to upgrade existing recreational facilities within the Uniplex, at the discretion of the families and the City. Through discussions with the families, it was concluded that this project was a fit with the original objective of the donations. And so, with this generous





contribution, and the support of the families, the project came to fruition", said Michael Ulriksen, Director of Community and Leisure Services.

If any organization or individuals wish to book the Curling Rink with the sports court flooring they can check availability through our Bookking Portal on our website at <u>www.humboldt.ca</u> or call the Uniplex at 306.682.2597.

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