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Regional Community YMCA Family Center One Step Closer to Reality

"We are pleased that Putnam residents have elected to accept the gift of 65 acres of land from the Wheelabrator Corporation, which will result a conveyance of 15 acres to the YMCA of Greater Hartford for the construction of proposed Regional Community YMCA Family Center, a full-service Y in the Town of Putnam.

This vote enables us to provide the Putnam and surrounding communities with a multitude of health and wellness opportunities that will support and enhance those opportunities that already exist. Our goal is to work in collaboration with others to improve the quality of life within the Quiet Corner.

Over the last few weeks, we have endeavored to provide Putnam residents with the information they needed in order to make an informed decision regarding the referendum vote. Our objective was to inform, not influence the vote.

In the end, we are pleased that Putnam residents have voted to support the development of a full-service YMCA, and we are committed to working toward the realization of that goal.

We wish to thank the community, in advance, for its support."

James Morton, President and CEO, YMCA of Greater Hartford

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The proposed Regional Community YMCA Family Center, a branch of the YMCA of Greater Hartford, will be locally managed by a volunteer board. Your membership in the Y is not only an investment in yourself and your family; it's also an investment in your community.

The YMCA of Greater Hartford is a non profit 501 (c) 3 charitable organization established in 1852 and is one of the nation's oldest YMCA's. The YMCA for **Youth Development**: *Nurturing the potential of every child and teen*, for **Healthy Living**: *Improving the nation's health and well-being*, for **Social Responsibility**: *Giving back and providing support to our neighbors*. In 2010 the YMCA of Greater Hartford served more than 111,000 people, including 66,000 children, in 46 towns and cities throughout the Capital Region. YMCA programs put the values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility into practice to build healthy spirit, mind and body for all participants.