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Subject: Support for Palmberg Rezoning Application (PLRZ20240003)

Dear Galiano LTC (Ben, Lisa, and Tim),

I am writing to express my support for the Palmberg Rezoning application, reference number **PLRZ20240003**.

Leif's proposal for a cider production facility, small sawmill, and gravel storage seems like a sound local economic development. Cider production from my understanding is a sustainable agricultural practice that uses significantly less water than brewing, and apple trees require less water than other fruit trees. Successful models on Salt Spring Island demonstrate that this type of business can be both viable and environmentally sound.

The proposed sawmill will allow for local processing of island-sourced logs, reducing transportation needs and supporting responsible forestry practices. Likewise, having a local gravel storage site will cut down on transportation emissions and provide a much-needed resource for residents.

Supporting this rezoning application means supporting a more self-sufficient and sustainable future for Galiano. As a resident and long time community member I support the approval of this application.

Sincerely,

Heiko Decosas

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