Support letter for Application GB-TUP-2023.5

March 18th 2024

Gabriola BC VOR1X4

Dear Islands Trust,

I am writing this letter in support of Application GB-TUP-2023.5 868 Chichester Rd West.

My name is Ashley Aldis and I was born and raised on Gabriola Island. My family has been here for 5 generations. I've been friends with both Geneen and Alex for over 3 decades and I would like to attest to their character.

They have both helped me over the years with employment and have housed and helped employ many local Gabriolans.

I understand they've been affected by the economic crisis like many others in our small community. There is a very strong possibility they may not be able to stay on the island without getting this permit. I also look forward to continuing to work with them as this permit would create job opportunities for me!

I know wholeheartedly how desperately they want to stay and make this work. I am fully in support of this, and would be devastated to see my lifelong long term local friends be forced to leave the island, for their house to be foreclosed and sold to some off-island rich people.

Sincerely, Ashley Aldis