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**Subject:** Rezoning Application PLRZ20240003

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[REDACTED] Galiano Island BC

I am writing in support of the above application for several reasons. As a restaurant manager, I often hear inquiries about local products and do not have the opportunity to offer beer, wine or cider made on Galiano. There is a high demand for local products like this and it would benefit many islanders to have such products to offer.

We often hear of the highly active and vocal gatekeepers of the Sticks Allison neighbourhood attempting to block any initiatives that do not serve their limited goals: property values and short-term vacation rentals. These are not often aligned with the broader goals of the Galiano community. Most of us recognize the benefits of local commerce and local products. I'd rather see an ecologically conscious and responsible community member like Leif Palmberg benefit from his great business idea than see island land use and commerce limited to the trade in real estate and vacation rentals.

Sincerely,  
Brahmi Benner

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