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**Subject:** FW: Short Term Rental

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From: Sybille Kretzmer

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To: <u>aallan@islandstrust.bc.ca</u> Subject: Short Term Rental

**Bruno Streicher** 

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To whom it may concern,

I came to Hornby Island in 1981 which is now 42 years ago. Since that time I am deeply connected with this Island. First I built a house on the Island together with my childhood friends from Germany and then I bought my own property in 1989. Since 1981 I have lived part time on the Island for an average of 6 to 9 months per year.

Hornby Island was/is my place, my home, my center of life, my friends live(d) here. Even my mother spent some months here with me after she retired. In 2014 when my mother was diagnosed with dementia and needed my help in Germany, I rented my place long term to young Hornby families to cover the taxes and the fixed costs incurred.

In Germany it goes (normally) without saying that you should take care of a rented place as good as your own. I got bitterly disappointed when I had to realize how carelessly my house and place was treated, a lot of damage was left. I consciously decided to rent long term to young families, as long as I could not come regularly. To my great regret, I will not do it again.

My mother has since died. I am 71 and retired now and my plan always was to enjoy the island and my place for some coming years until I become too old for traveling so far. Short term rental is the only way to keep my house and to pay the costs incurred. I don't make any profit from this.

During the summer months, when I am unable to come to my home on the island, I think it was and still is, a good thought to have the house occupied with families, kids playing during the summer months in

the garden and having the freedom and silence I enjoy so much when I am there. The house and property are in good condition again. Only short term rental will enable me to do so.

Sincerely Bruno Streicher

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