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Subject: March 20th LTC meeting on Hornby - request to speak and letter

Dear Trustees,

I am writing to share some background information about our family's connection to Hornby and our concerns with the proposed bylaw changes pertaining to short term rentals. I also wish to request an opportunity to speak in person at the upcoming March 20th, 2026 meeting at the Hornby community hall.

Our family own's property on Hornby Island, which has been passed down from our grandparents. The property was bought in 1958 and our grandparents were one of the early property owners on Hornby Island. Over the years, we have taken pride in caring for the property and Hornby Island. We care deeply about preserving the unique character of Hornby and ensuring that our actions do not significantly impact the island or the enjoyment of its use.

The proposed motion to limit property rentals to only resident owners would severely impact our ability to keep the property since we are nonresident owners. We use our limited rental income to only fund the property taxes, and maintenance of the property. Our concern is that, if we are forced to sell, future owners would not share the same long-term commitment for caring for Hornby and the community as we have demonstrated over many years. We have already seen changes to our area where a house was sold and was replaced by a newer house that did not reflect the character of the neighborhood. This type of decision risks altering the qualities that make Hornby special.

We support several aspects of the vacation use proposal such as upgrades to septic systems and potable water supplies. We also agree with limiting the rental season, and

limiting camping and recreational vehicle use on residential property. However, we are concerned that targeting short term rental limitations to non residents only would unintentionally lead nonresident owners to sell to other nonresident owners who may not have the same care or long term connection to Hornby Island.

We respectfully ask that you engage in good faith with non resident property owners and consider the impact on families like ours who have responsibly cared for property on Hornby for generations and are committed to the stewardship of Hornby.

Sincerely,

Marshall Cheng