

-----Forwarded Message-----From: Darrell Medcalf Sent: Jul 22, 2020 4:45 PM To: lise mcleod , <u>mayneislandlocaltrustcommittee@islands.bc.ca</u> Subject: Mayne Island Housing SocietyApplication for Re-zoning Property at 375Village Bay Road

IslandTrust Dan Rogers, Chair Jeanine Dodds, Trustee David Maude, Trustee

Re: Mayne Island Housing Society Application for Re-zoning Property at 375 Village Bay Road

I am the owner of the property at **Sector 1** and **Sector 1**. This property was purchased from the Bennett family by my parents, Jerry and Edona Medcalf, In 1962. I believe that they were the first owners in that development. The home at 388 Maple Drive was finished in 1965. It has remained in the Medcalf family since then. It has been used as a family home, by now, 4 generations of the Medcalf family. Jerry and Edona were the only family members to live on the Island full time but their 3 children, 8 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren have all spent time at the Medcalf Family Home on Mayne Island, even though most visits were relatively short.

Jerry and Edona lived full time on the Island from 1972 until 1996 and were very active residents. Needless-to-say, it is a very special place in our family. All of our family were made aware of water and septic issues from our first visits. We learned about preserving water and minimizing toilet flushes, especially in the summer and fall months. Since our water in our well comes from above us I am extremely concerned about having such a high density site above us as proposed. I was under the impression that water concerns was the main reason the 10 acre rule was started in the first place. For this reason I am very much opposed to the re-zoning proposed on the property above us. Because of the issue of water quantity and quality it just seems like the wrong place.

There is a second reason why I oppose this project. While I know change to the island has happened and that will continue, it seems to me that such a high density project is better suited to parts of the island that are already higher density than Maple Drive and the immediate surrounding area. The atmosphere in this area is why it was, and is, such a special place to our family. Please don't cause that to change. Our family has been on Mayne longer than most and we treasure it. Please take this into consideration.

Thank you.

Darrell Medcalf and Family.