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Trust Committee,

To whom it may concern,

My name is Erin Morris and I am a business owner, [REDACTED] Salt Spring Islander. My family moved here [REDACTED] and has been here ever since. [REDACTED] on this special island, immersed in this creative community. It is my history, it is my home.

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[REDACTED]. During that time, the housing situation on Salt Spring has changed drastically! [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. With an influx of wealthy folks exiting the cities and purchasing property on the island, there is virtually no movement and very few rentals to be had. This, coupled with an unbelievable amount of people, many young families, needing affordable housing leaves us all in quite the predicament. We need to see change and housing needs to be seen as a priority by the Islands Trust. Leaving the island, my business, my family and my community is not an option!

This islands community and culture exists largely because of the working and middle class artists and creatives who have lived and worked here for decades. If the housing situation isn't addressed soon, the face of this community will change and that wonderful culture will quickly erode. I can assure you that no one wants to see this happen.

I urge you to take this issue to heart, give it some serious consideration and immediate action!

Erin Morris

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