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Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2024 10:20 AM **To:** SouthInfo <SouthInfo@islandstrust.bc.ca>

Subject: Interior side lot setback

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To the trustees:

I would like to go on record as supporting maintaining the current setback, 20 feet or 6 metres, for interior side lot setbacks as provided in the current Land Use Bylaw.

I live with a situation where there is only a 10 foot buffer zone on either side of a fence, or 20 feet between the two dwellings.

A few years ago my neighbour told me that my conversations could be heard by them. I assumed this was when I was out on my deck and it resulted in me heading inside for private conversations. This constituted a huge loss of privacy for me and I assume, hearing my conversations was not very pleasant for my neighbour.

A 20 foot setback or 40 feet between the two dwellings would have significantly decreased the possibility of overhearing each other's conversations and of being aware of each other's activities as we go about our day. This would have increased very precious privacy; certainly for me and I would think for my neighbours as well.

A 20 foot setback, as compared to a 10 foot setback is more effective in protecting and preserving our privacy and

tranquility, highly valued qualities of life on South Pender Island.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Daphne Louis

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