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To the South Pender Local Trust Committee

I wrote to you in February with my concerns about increasing house size. It's very difficult to look to the future and see what might be coming to our island community - there is so much going on in the world right now that we can't really anticipate who might be deciding that owning a house on a small island might be a good back-up plan in the case of even more chaos than we are seeing today. And we need to ensure that the houses being built suit our rural island and do not encroach on the privacy of neighbours.

If a larger house is required, and there is room on the lot for a larger home without intruding on neighbours, then the owner has the option of applying for a variance. In that way, the community and the immediate neighbours can determine whether the new structure is going to work and won't invade the neighbours or the neighbourhood.

Please reconsider allowing larger homes; there are options for homeowners whose needs require larger and whose lot is suitable for a larger structure. It may take time for the permit process and the building but today building a house on South Pender is a very long process and the additional step of requesting a variance is a small increase to the length of the permit and construction process.

Thank you for considering my views.

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