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Dear Planning Commission,
Attached is our letter supporting a vacation rental cap to be considered at the Feb. 18 Planning Commission meeting.
Thank you,
Gregory and Heather Oaksen
Orcas Island

Dear Planning Commission

February 16, 2022

We live on Orcas Island and are dismayed to see vacation rentals, essentially a commercial enterprise, impacting our neighborhoods and sense of community. It is reasonable to place a cap on vacation rentals. We think active and compliant permits as originally proposed by the Planning Commission on August 20, 2022 is a reasonable limit.

We also favor extending the moratorium to cover the entire county. As it now stands the existing "moratorium" is not a meaningful moratorium having allowed a rush on new vacation rental permits and perhaps encouraging these new permits.

Thank you for your consideration,
Greg and Heather Oaksen