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Hello Sheila, Steve, Nick, Steven, David, Matthew and Peter,

I am joining with my neighbors to request that you honor the decision made in good faith by the Planning Commissioners on August 20, 2021, to freeze the number of vacation rental (VR) permits at the "Active and Compliant" number as of July 31, 2021, which was 413, along with the associated island-specific caps.

Because Vacation rentals are high-traffic, high-turnover, public-facing business operations that enter uninvited into our residential neighborhoods, and because they hold undeniable power to transform a community, today we urge you to certify that we need relief – meaningful guardrails – to protect our homes and neighborhoods from this power.

Thank you for your service,  
Lisa Byers