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My husband and I live on Orcas Island and own an active vacation rental nearby our home. We only rent it for up to 4 nights at a time June through Labor Day. There is a large garden and orchard on the property which we look after as a hobby in our retirement. We would never make it a full time rental as we are up there frequently throughout the year. The VR option works great for us as it pays for the property taxes and utilities so we can afford to enjoy it. We have never received a complaint from the neighbors there and live 15 minutes away so we can immediately address any problem that may arise. To date there has never been a problem. Our guests have always been courteous and respectful of our neighbors and our property. We follow all the regulations from 2018 and strongly feel that VR's do not take away affordable long term housing in any meaningful way.

We wanted to send this email to you as we are tired of VR's becoming a scapegoat for the affordable housing crisis in our county. I think other folks should have the same opportunity we have to have a vacation rental property.

Yours Truly,
Lisa Poitras
David Kampp

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