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Hello Council,

I would once again like to express my opinion on Vacation Rental Caps. If I had a vote, I would vote for Option C, which would allow a moderate increase in permits every year.

I've had my vacation rental permit since 2014. I filed for the permit, posted signs, notified all my neighbors, and paid the \$2300 fee to the county. I also am compliant and follow all the regulations set forth in 2018.

And for the last 7 years have paid San Juan County sales and lodging tax. In just the last two years I've paid \$5,076.45. If you round that to \$2500 per year, per complaint vacation permit I would think that's a fair amount of money coming back to Orcas Island and all of San Juan County.

I've also been a great steward to Orcas Island since 1998 when I was married at Rosario Resort. After returning several times every year and working very hard to save money I was able to purchase property and build my dream home in the San Juan Islands. I currently live in Bellingham and am raising a 13-yr old son as a single mom. The income that is generated by renting my future retirement home allows us to remain what I would consider middle class. I can't afford to keep the house without renting it. I built the home with the purpose of it being a vacation rental so my son and I could continue to visit Orcas and enjoy the peace and serenity of the island on a monthly basis.

Please let future homeowner continue to have an opportunity to enjoy and hopefully one day live in the San Juan Islands too.

Thank you,
Tina Grace