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Dear Planning Comissioners,

As a resident of Lopez Island for the past 20 years, I consider our island to be a very special place, as do all of us who live here. Lopez is not a typical "tourist" destination and that is one of the aspects I love about it. We are a community which grows in the summer with summer residents and visitors. I would hate to see Lopez become something different or comparable to Orcas or San Juan. My hope is that our council and local residents work together to create a sustainable and diverse community. I see housing as our greatest challenge. Without affordable housing working people just can't live here and that creates multiple problems that we are all aware of and actually experiencing right now.

Regarding the issue of vacation rentals, I strongly support a cap for Lopez as it is right now, not an increase, as is proposed. Let's protect what we've got and make it more sustainable for the people who live here.

Sincerely,

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