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Dear Council,

I am surprised to hear that the need to limit vacation rentals is not at the forefront of your thoughts. It is so sad to hear the plight of limited rentals for hard working islanders. It is so easy to see how the market for vr is driving up property values, sacrificing family dwellings - turning our island into a playground for tourists while neglecting our island families and culture.

This decision will be the single biggest decision in shaping the future of the islands. It will be hard to maintain a structure for success for any venture in the islands if you strip housing from essential workers: teachers, doctors, nurses, plumbers, builders, service workers, grocery store workers. We already have problems in all of these categories. It will get worse if you don't get this problem under control by creating real limits and restrictions. It is just common sense. Please do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Gail Leschine-Seitz