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As a tax paying, home owner in Friday Harbor, we want to voice our opinions as requested in regards to permitting more vacation rentals.

We moved here because of the quality of life of quiet, peaceful, comfortable and safe environment. This includes things that have significantly and sadly diminished in a short time due to the lack of affordable and availability of workers (restaurant help, gardeners, pet sitters, house keepers, elder care, health care givers, handyman, and other helpful businesses) due to the lack of their needs for affordable housing being met. The community is clearly becoming out of balance with the profiteering of vacation rentals taking priority over desperately needed long term rentals. These homes should be filled with permanent residents that contribute to the community and not transient tourists that overwhelm the ferry system, streets, water supply, safety, garbage, etc.

Save the quality of life for all for those that permanently live here and support this community by stopping and/or reducing vacation rentals please.

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