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Good Day County Commissioners,

First of all: Thanks for serving. You all have a challenging position and we really appreciate your efforts in keeping Chelan County an exceptional place to live, raise kids and work.

This short letter is in reference to the explosion of STR's in RRR zoning near Leavenworth.

Nothing earth shattering here, friends, but let's review the impacts of STR's on residents.
1. STR's have a negative impact on home pricing/values making it much more difficult for current renters and those who would want to live in the Upper Valley to afford housing. Why would we possibly choose this as a practice?

2. Because working families can no longer afford to live in the Upper Valley, they simply have to move. This is having a negative impact on our schools. Why? So STR's can exist? This just isn't logical.

3. The existence of STR's in neighborhoods tear at the fabric of what a neighborhood is supposed to feel like. We buy into a community, a feeling, a sense of ownership and responsibility to share and give. This feeling is pretty tough to inspire when we are surrounded on three sides STR's. Why would we choose this option?

4. The often loud, late night noise and drunken, obnoxious behavior is legendary and I am sure you are tired of hearing it. So are we. Most every weekend we hear it loud and clear. And now it trickles into midweek as well. Commissioners, your tax paying base is tired of this.

5. Owners of these STR's are predominately out of area residents. They are in this only for the money at the real expense of all of us in Chelan County. I have heard it from many and Karen and I have pondered it ourselves: Just how long do we choose to endure this and is there a better place?

Commissioners, please put an end to this. Sunset all Tier 2 STR's in RRR zones.

Thanks for your time and effort.

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Cheers

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