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## Dear members of the City Council,

I am writing to address the beach property between Apple Tree Lane and Richmond Beach Saltwater Park (south of the homes on the lane). I support the City buying this beach parcel as part of the PROS Plan - and Proposition 1 - so that this area is officially recognized as a public open space like the rest of the Saltwater Park. This small piece of property represents a safe access point to reach the beach for those who want to enjoy this end of the park.

I have lived in the area for 30+ years and have taken advantage of beach access both here and at the Saltwater Park. Many of us that live in RB take delight in walking the neighborhood and beach. I support the City buying the beach parcel and making it a City-owned open space for the public to enjoy. I urge you Councilmembers to approve this purchase.

I am sure that Lane homeowners worry about increased auto traffic there, so I also support prohibiting public parking on 27th Ave NW. There is a small chance that occasionally someone has parked there to access the beach (as when the parking lot at the beach park closed during COVID), but really all of us that are within a few blocks of the Saltwater Park, Apple Tree Lane and Kayu Kayu see our narrow streets being used also.

I don't know exactly how much of an easement BNSF has here, but it does seem that a gate at the south end (as well as the gate in place at the north end of the Lane) deny us partial access on land the homeowners do not own.

Thank you, I hope that you respect and support the people in the neighborhood having continued safe access to our open spaces and purchase this land!

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