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Capital Regional District Board c/o Kristen Morley Corporate Officer/General Manager, Corporate Services 625 Fisgard Street Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

Via email: kmorley@crd.bc.ca, crdboard@crd.bc.ca

Re: Bylaw No. 4602, "Foodlands Access Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2024"

At the Council meeting of January 27, 2025, the District of Central Saanich resolved to call on the Capital Regional District to reconsider the current foodlands proposal and have a public discussion that includes information on options, evidence, and a public vote.

Please consider this letter as filing the following notice of motion for the next Capital Regional District Board agenda for consideration.

WHEREAS the proposed Bylaw No. 4602, "Foodlands Access Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2024" has significant implications for the agricultural community and local food security within the Capital Regional District; and

WHEREAS there has been public interest and concern regarding the lack of public awareness and the potential impacts of the proposal on local farmers, food producers, and the broader community; and

WHEREAS transparent and inclusive decision-making processes are essential for maintaining public trust and ensuring that all stakeholders have the opportunity to provide input;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Regional District Board reconsider the foodlands proposal and schedule a public discussion to gather feedback from community members, stakeholders, and experts to ensure that all perspectives are considered before making a final decision by public vote.

Should you have any questions and or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Emilie Gorman, Director of Corporate Services/Corporate Officer at emilie.gorman@csaanich.ca or 250.544.4202.

Sincerely,

Director Ryan Windsor