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Dear Mr. Berg,

I am writing to respectfully request that the upcoming increase in my boatyard rental fees for my 34' trimaran, scheduled to rise on January 1, 2026, from \$1,352.67 to \$2,316.83 a 71% increase be postponed and that my current rate be grandfathered in until I am able to complete essential repairs and launch in 2026. The only reason my boat occupies space in the large boat area is due to its 24' beam and the necessity of the 300-ton haul-out. This significant rate hike poses a serious financial challenge, as my repair budget is limited and absorbing nearly an additional thousand dollars per month could jeopardize my ability to finish the project.

As a retired seventy-year-old man who has long called Port Townsend home and who now depends on low-income assistance from the community for essential support to make ends meet, the looming fee increase threatens to undermine not only my ability to complete the repairs but also end my retirement dreams I have worked toward for decades.

I respectfully ask for your understanding and flexibility, as remaining at the current rate would allow me to complete the essential work without the added burden of a substantial fee increase. I am committed to resolving the necessary repairs efficiently and vacating the space as soon as my vessel is seaworthy, and I hope you will consider my circumstances and grant this exception so I may fulfill my obligations and continue as a responsible tenant.

Sincerely,



Thomas Heil

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