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September 26, 2014

Dear Mayor Ives and Councillors,

I am writing to inform you of my strong support for the proposal presented by the Mack Laing Heritage Society for the restoration of the Baybrook house and use of the property.

As you may be aware, I served on Comox Council for many years. The first year I was elected, in the late 1970's, Mayor Dick Merrick appointed me to "look after" Hamilton Mack Laing, who was then elderly, lived alone and had no family nearby. Mack had gifted the Town with his house (Shakesides) and property (Mack Laing Park) and it was felt that someone on Council should represent his interests to the Town.

I was a registered nurse in those years, and during the following seven years (I was again appointed to this charge by Mayor George Piercy), I got to know Mack Laing very well, as both a patient and a friend. He was a unique individual and cared deeply about nature. He wanted to leave Comox a legacy that would educate and encourage people to live in harmony with the natural environment. It was his wish that the Town create a natural history museum in Shakesides, the property where he was living at the time of his death.

Since Shakesides cannot be used for a museum, due to structural problems, I strongly urge Council and the Town of Comox to do all in its power to see this longstanding obligation become reality at Baybrook, which is in both an ideal location and in a condition suitable for the purpose he envisioned.

I know that Mack would have approved of this proposal, and I hope that you agree with me and will do all in your power to see this proposal approved at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

*Alice Bullen*



Declared Before Me  
at the City of Courtenay  
Province of BC this 26th  
day of September 2014

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