RE: Resignation from SAFE Summerside Leadership

Dear SAFE Summerside Board of Directors,

It is with an incredibly heavy heart that I write to inform you of my decision to resign as the President of SAFE Summerside, effective October 19, 2024. This decision is hard, but I believe it is the right one as I take on the responsibility of serving as an elected representative on city council.

My passion for the work SAFE Summerside and the causes we championed remains as strong as ever. But precisely because of that passion, I must step away from this role. To fully honour the trust of the people of Summerside and be the voice our community needs, I must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. I want to advocate freely and wholeheartedly for the issues closest to me without recusing myself from discussions or decisions that matter to me, and this community.

Trust is the foundation of public service, and I take that trust seriously. Though deeply personal and painful, this decision is necessary to preserve the transparency and integrity that our community deserves.

Please know that while I am stepping down from this formal role, my commitment to SAFE Summerside's mission is unwavering. I will continue to support our shared vision in any way I can. I am also requesting that the Board consider my continued involvement in leading the "Learn to Ride a Two-Wheeler" series, which has taught over 300 children, the Summerside Bicycle Fun Fest, an inaugural event that brought together 107 people in year one, in honouring the legacy of Bill Schurman during our "I Light Sside" Christmas parade float, and in the Cycling Without Age Program.

From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for your dedication, passion, and tireless work. In such a short time, we have achieved incredible things and amassed a strong ground-swelling of actions and belief in what could be possible -- I am immensely proud of everything we've accomplished together. I look forward to watching SAFE Summerside continue to grow and flourish.

With heartfelt gratitude and best wishes,

Ken Trenholm

Founder & President (Resigning)

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