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May 21, 2023

Good Afternoon, Sir

Ryan has told me that my initial request for a slip that can accommodate my 45'L x 24'W x 3.7'D sail cat has been denied. He also told me I can appeal.

Ryan mentioned you had some concerns that doing so might create a precedent.

Here's why I don't believe that's the case, Jeffrey

1. There is, and won't be any other applicant with a paid dockage history that I've had for over 46 years (with about 15 years off due to divorce and some health issues, since resolved) since 1978 when I first sailed in on my then C&C 27 "Rock Me" and spent many summers on Dutcher Dock, > "Next Wave" Columbia 45 Motorsailor, > "Next Wave" Fountaine Pajot 42' Venezia catamaran.

I go back to when Lynn Murphy tossed then dockmaster Phil LaVasseur off the gas dock one day, and when the M-Texaco dock blew and Spider got all messed up (hasn't been same since, actually).

My two sons grew up since they were 3 on our boats in Menemsha, went to the CCC every summer, worked at the Galley, and for Tea Lane Catering.

I've known Jonathan Klaren since he was around 11 I think when he used to come over with his parents Thorney and Sandy from across the Sound. I think I first met Tim when he was around the same age working at the Texaco. I was also good friends w Emmett

The first person I met was Curley Carrol and I rented my extra summer parking space from Everett Poole RIP.

Well, that's enough about o me. From around 1999-2006 we had our deep blue 62f Real Ships steel trawler, "Long Run" docked each summer on the Creek corner perpendicular to Maurice Templesman " Relemar"

That spot is currently leased to Hank Goldberg, who I'm told by my former Capt Robin Robinson has been unable to lease a substitute Sport Fish to replace "Banjo" which was lost in a yard fire over the winter. I spoke with Robin 2 days ago. They have no boat as of now.

As you might also rememebr, Jimmy Buffett's 65' Nordhaven expedition trawler would dock in front of me and behind Paul DeJesus former Hatteras 53" sometimes Billy Joel would also dock in front of Jimmy, who I'm told is sticking to Kansucket these days.

My point is, from a practical standpoint I understand there aren't any other large sailcats with similar dimensions to mine on Ryan's resident waiting list. We are talking about 4 or 5 slips max that simply don't have anywheres near the same demand that Dutcher Dock et al has . Therefore, I beleive we'd be a great fit there and in view of my long history as being part of the Up Island Community.

Bill Solon has been my good friend for more than 30 years and was my caretaker when I owned Tom Benton's former house 2004-2013 on 6 Four Winds Lane which became a casualty of

my divorce and the kids didn't want to stay in a house. Norman Freed, RIP was my neighbor and friend.

Jeffrey, my understanding was that your committee would have a chance to review my request in some detail before it came up for a final vote, and for whatever reason that didn't occur so I can appreciate your initial turn down. However I hope given our historical background and deep relationships in Menemsha and Chilmark, plus the fact that demand for the 3 or 4 larger tie along spaces we can fit is less so than most all others that you would please reconsider and grant us an exception.

In any case, thank you for your close consideration as well as the ToC Selectman

I did leave you a lengthy VM earlier. Please feel free to call/contact me should you need any further info in order to make your appeal decision.

Thank you.

Respectfully Yours,

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