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Re: Taking a stand for Cannon Beach's Ocean Setback Rules





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Cc: Advantage Alarm & Security, Inc. < <u>Jad@AdvantageAlarm.net</u>> **Subject:** Taking a stand for Cannon Beach's Ocean Setback Rules

Dear Mayor Steidel & City Council Members in Cannon Beach, Oregon,

My husband and I would like to join all the long-time locals thanking you for taking a stand for Cannon Beach's Ocean Setback Rules.

Like the other residents who love this small and beautiful town, we chose to live here **because** of its rules and codes, **not** so that we could break those same codes. Much of the beauty and appeal of Cannon Beach stems from the application of those rules and codes, and from the long-term dedication of Cannon Beach residents to protect the environment and the local scenery.

Anyone who chooses to live in Cannon Beach loves this small town for its relatively pristine and rural character. The Ocean Setback Rules have been developed in part to help preserve those same qualities. The Ocean Setback Rules should not be swept aside for someone who believes that a code by which his neighbors live and abide should apply to them, but not to him. I imagine that the owners of the land in the current proposal would not be as happy with their construction if they were soon surrounded by others just like it.

Which is exactly what we can expect in Cannon Beach over the next decade, if we do not continue to agree to abide by Cannon Beach's Ocean Setback Rules.

Have you seen what has happened to Hong Kong since the 1980's? Hong Kong's beautiful harbor and its embracing mountains are now completely eclipsed by the mammoth buildings erected in the last thirty years. If we do not continue to abide by our Rules, our small town could easily be converted into another Hong Kong. It is happening to our neighbors to the north; it *doesn't* have to happen *here*.

We have an opportunity here in Cannon Beach - to protect the estimable vision and mandate of a public coast, as championed by Governor McCall in 1967. Let us keep our beaches as "the beach of history"; let us lead by example for this entire glorious Public Coast, where the beach, and Haystack Rock, and the ocean belong to all.

Thank you for everything you do to keep Cannon Beach beautiful.

Respectfully,

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