ATTACHMENT B

I would like to remind you of a little history. In 2018 the city had the problem of citizens who had no place to live who were camping out at City Hall, this caused embarrassment for the city. There was a large piece of vacant land which belonged to the city by the railroad tracks to the harbor. The mayor was quoted as saying that they could go there and that this would be a good use for the property, so people moved there and the campsite grew over the summer to several hundred people. Twice we were mobilized as concerned citizen, to protect the camp from a bunch of hoodlums from Vancouver who called themselves 'Odin's Army'. We non-violently and silently faced them off, not responding to their taunts, with the help of the RCMP, till they gave up and caught the ferry back to Vancouver with their tails between their legs

With the coming of winter the City and the Province were forced to build temporary homes for the campers, they were made to sign a recognisance and before they were moved the into homes, where they are still living. The city knows from experience the problems of homeless people . last year's solutions only solved some of the problems. There are still people sleeping on the streets and in the parks. You can tell people to move on, but there is nowhere to go.

I have found myself in a similar situation. My house is full of people, they are polite and clean up, but they won't leave. I make hints and suggestions like "there are too many people here" but they don't seem to hear. My first concern is the stuff accumulating in the yard till the city bilaw officer comes round to complain. They forget that they had the same sort of situation last year – the homeless people with all their stuff – so much stuff, and the city wants to declare my house a 'nuisance property' a bitter irony, as if the homeless were no more than a nuisance.

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