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Ernie you have always had a vision for our Waterfront as did my beloved friend Glenys Deering Robb and all those that served on the Waterfront Task Force.

Listening to the CBC radio version of Think Waterfront, Think Vancouver, it is very apparent that the North Vancouver District, unlike all the other municipalities, still does not understand the jewel it holds in its hand and the need to preserve and enhance it, for all time. The District stands alone in its total lack of vision for the Waterfront. Other municipalities are planning and working hard towards their visions of their Waterfronts, for the future and for their future generations. To that I say shame, shame, shame on us.

We have got to take charge of our beaches and to do that we need our head lease. Vancouver Ports do not care what happens to the Foreshore and Beaches of North Vancouver. Their main interest is in the movement of shipping, yet they are being allowed to desecrate our Waterfront. They tell me they have never received a complaint from our Municipality and I ask "Why Not". The answer to that, which worries me sick, is because it is a political hot potatoe. I spoke with Glenys Deering Robb before she ran for re-election and suggested she disassociate herself from me and the Waterfront Task Force if she wanted to be re-elected. At first she agreed but at a later date stood up proudly in her support of the Waterfront Plan and it cost her.

Yes I know it costs money which we do not have, however we could at least enforce the by-laws that exist and fight with the Ports to stop them destroying anymore of our Foreshore and beaches. That would be a start. As the President of the U.S.A. once said "Tear down that wall" at the end of Panorama Drive and give the public their right to an unobstructed view up Indian Arm. Sincerely Maureen Bragg

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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST

During the recent Riverside Slide debacle, yet another District success story and this time costing a life, plus a couple of dozens of homeless people give or take a few, I got a call from the CBC in Toronto. In return for a promise to do a show on the District Waterfront issue, I gave them some material going back to THE 1979 SLIDE which was the first disaster in the same area.

The CBC followed through on its promise and recently did a show which was televised. You remember the Waterfront Task Force a few years ago don't you? It had been set up by the District to make recommendations as to how the Waterfront belonging to the public could be put to public use. The issue went to referendum. It was defeated 48% versus 52%. The defeat was the doing of the CCA - a special interest civic party spending a huge amount of money and lying its way through the election. The CCA was committed not only to defeat the Task Force Recommendations but also all the Councillors who supported the idea of opening the waterfront to the public.

Glynis Dearing-Robb, who was a Councillor at the time of the referendum and had previously chaired the Task Force, will be remembered for her hard work and valour in the face of the CCA and so will Maureen Bragg now the chair of the Lynn Valley Community Association. Also remembered will be David Sadler, Corrie Kost, Brian Platts and others. Needless to say, following the defeat of the pro public waterfront access, the recommendations of the TASK FORCE were never implemented, not even a fraction of them, even though 48% of the public had voted in favour.

The tape recently made by the CBC makes very good educational material. It is also a reminder that there is still work to be done by the good people of the District. A copy of the tape may be obtained from Corrie Kost at maybe \$ 2 dollars. If you are homeless, you might even get it for less. Corrie's phone number is 604-988-6615.

Cheers and always remember this, the sell out artists have their day but in the end the people always win - always.

Ernie Crist