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NORT H VANCOUVER - STRATEGIC VISION, written and submitted by Ernie Crist.

SHARE THE DREAM.

The District of North Vancouver is your community - the place you call home. Living on the North Shore is special - you become aware of this when you drive over the ocean inlet, across the bridge and behold the spectacular setting of the forested mountains and you realize that this is your place and that this special feeling is shared by those who are as fortunate as you are.

We who live here have a very special responsibility to protect this jewel. This is not an easy task. The very reasons why this safe, residential community is so attractive are also the reasons why it faces greater challenges.

You have elected a Mayor and Council to carry out the difficult task of protecting your investment in North Shore living. But it takes more than a municipal Council to meet the challenges of a community in a global setting. We all have a responsibility - it literally takes every single citizen - we are all actors on the civic stage.

Whether it is participating in the planning of your neighbourhood, assisting in a neighbourhood watch program, or exercising in our public recreation facilities to stay healthy, participation in one form or another is imperative.

Only if we play our part can we protect that we all cherish - a well balanced, safe and progressive community, where everything from jobs to recreation, from traffic to the environment, from the promotion of the arts to the planning of our neighbourhoods and from housing to social needs are the result of our collective efforts - only then can we keep the District of North Vancouver liveable and only then can we protect our investment.

What follows is the vision for the future. But it is up to you as a citizen to put your own stamp on this plan. To make suggestions, to share your own vision, respond and protect the investment you made when you moved to this beautiful place - the District of North Vancouver - SHARE YOUR DREAM.

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