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## Dear Mayor and Coucil,

It was with great disappointment, as a committed mountain biker on the North Shore, that I learned of the District's rejection of the North Shore Mountain Bike Association's request for funding for their upcoming conference. It is with even greater disappointment that I learned of a potential motion by Council Member Crist to place a moratorium on mountain biking on the North Shore pending completion of the strategic plan.

Mountain biking on the North Shore has a tremendous number of benefits for our community. It promotes athleticism and challenge for our youth; it gives them an avenue for channeling their aspirations for international competition; it gives them an ideal environment to hone their skills; it provides an economic boost to our local economy; it promotes an understanding of multiple use resources and respect for other users of the resources; and finally for many others it gives them an avenue to maintain their health.

I hope that the Mayor and Coucil will take a progressive approach to the motion put forward by Cousellor Crist and defeat his motion for a moratorium. Let us promote the responsible and respectful use of our resources until such time as the Strategic Study is completed rather than drive this very beneficial sport underground. Hugh McCall