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In 1908, my grandfather A.J Crease of Amherst N.S., built a cottage on Amherst Shore which my family has enjoyed every summer since. After generations expanded the number of relatives using it, in 1994 I purchased a cottage nearby.

I'm a Nova Scotian, born in Halifax in 1946, and I drive to N.S.from Alberta every summer to spend two months at our cottage

It is my belief that this new tax on foreign ownership is ill conceived and lacks sensitivity to regional, historical and cultural concerns.

Canadians are not foreigners.

Nova Scotians who live elsewhere in Canada are not foreigners.

Seasonal cottages which have been passed down through generations should be grandfathered, as their owners are descendants of Nova Scotians.

Foreign ownership taxation has to be regionally targeted and sensitive to the character of the province. This type of taxation has not worked well in B.C. It has not created any increased housing availability and has substantially increased rental rates. (e.i. new potential buyers rent instead of buying to avoid the tax.)

Please reconsider this unfair, inappropriate and potentially damaging tax, it is a slight on our province and should never have been considered by a Conservative government.

respectfully yours,

Charles Fraser
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