

DECLARATION OF KAREN BECK

I, KAREN BECK, declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Washington that the following statements are true and correct and based upon my personal knowledge:

1. I am over the age of eighteen and competent to testify to the matters set forth herein. My address is 4813 E. Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA 98040, King County Washington.


2. I have lived at the foregoing address since ²⁰⁰³ [YEAR]. My property is located near 4825 E. Mercer Way, and I have an unobstructed view of the Eagle Tree from my property.

3. Attached are true and correct copies of photographs I took on March 24, 2018 at approximately 1:15 p.m. of eagles perched atop the Eagle Tree located at 4825 E. Mercer Way. I took these photographs from my property.

4. Over the years, I have regularly observed eagles in the Eagle Tree. I do not hesitate in declaring, based upon my direct and ongoing personal observations over the course of many years, that the Eagle Tree Property is an active habitat for bald eagles.

5. I am advised that the owner of 4825 E. Mercer Way recently commissioned a third party to fly a drone near the Eagle Tree over an extended period of time. If flying a drone next to a known eagle habitat is not a violation of local, state, and/or federal law, then it is at least conduct one would expect to drive away any eagles that might be located in the tree. I was surprised to learn that the consultant retained by the property developer elected to use such a technique, especially after several of my neighbors submitted sworn declarations to the City regarding the continuing presence of eagles in the Eagle Tree.

DATED this 17 day of April, 2018 at Mercer Island, Washington.

By: 
Print Name: Karen Beck



