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~~To Whom it May Concern,~~

I believe this proposed mode of transportation is imperative to the survival of the Stehekin community. The majority of the locals survived because of tourists. With the loss of the commercial seaplane on the lake transportation to and from Stehekin is very limited, and simply is not practical for all visitors who would like to visit Stehekin - not to mention it's not practical to those who reside in Stehekin full time.

An example would be my family: My husband gets off work in the morning; not in time to catch the boat. This means we must wait until the next day to catch the boat - typically cutting our stay in Stehekin in half.

Also, in the winter, were typically unable to make it to Stehekin because the boat only runs 3x per week. Which means we at least have to have 3 days off work to visit, and 4 days off if we wish to visit on weekends. This simply is not practical.

We also have a rental cabin in Stehekin and the current lack of transportation affects our business negatively. This additional boat service would

make Stehekin a safer place. Having a viable option for people to get to appointments when needed could be a matter of life and death. Please consider approving this application. Sincerely, Misty Johnson

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