

January 31st 2018

Victoria City Hall
1 Centennial Square,
Victoria BC,
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Attention: Victoria City Mayor & Council,

**Re: Ralmax & Point Hope Maritime's Plan for an Upper Harbour Graving Dock,
Development Permit Application #000517 for 203,211, & 335 Harbour Rd.(Vic West)**

Dear Mayor Helps and Members of Council,

I am writing this letter in full of support of the Ralmax Group of Companies and their continued investment in infrastructure on and around Victoria Harbour. While many waterfront districts around North America have been lost to working harbour activities and good paying jobs, Ralmax has made large investments in creating and improving marine repair assets in order to keep the shipyard business alive and thriving in the Capital Region.

The proposed graving dock to be built in Victoria's Upper Harbour, can be largely accommodated within the footprint of the existing shipyard and will attract ships of different sizes to our region for regular service work, upgrade's & modifications, right up to mid-life refits. This kind of work being done in a modern facility will have little or no adverse effect on the local environment, while creating and supporting many good, high paying jobs in the marine sector and contributing to many other businesses who supply services to the marine sector.

Opportunities like this don't come along very often where a local business is prepared to invest in the long term vitality of an area. For this reason, the future jobs for our young people, and the overall economic and lifestyle advantages this proposal will afford the Capital Region, this Graving Dock Project should receive our unqualified support!

Yours truly,



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Other affiliations:

- President Boating BC
- President Maritime Museum of BC
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