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To whom it may concern

I write as a concerned resident who will be affected if the DA application for construction of the seawall between Clarke Street and Mactier Streets does not go ahead.

We reside in a unit block built in the 60s, part of this stretch of beach for close to 60 years which deserves to be here for another 60 years! Residents in our block have fought to make sure we have a wall that will enable us to preserve our gorgeous Norfolk Pine. Without a seawall this tree will also be at risk. Many locals enjoy the shade and beauty of this tree, not just residents of the property. We are lucky enough to reside on the part of the beach between South Narrabeen and Mactier Street that does get the sand replenished every couple of years so concerns of other residents about the exposed cement wall would be less for our stretch than any of the other sections.

We are not cashed up millionaires but owners of a mortgage and our debt will increase to cover our share of the cost to build this wall. We can't get insurance for coastal erosion so this gives us some form of security for the future of our property where we hope to live for some time yet.

What solutions and alternatives have those who oppose the construction of our wall come up with? Most of what I have seen are complaints and negativity . There are real people affected by the decision. Our homes are under threat . What is the solution?

I feel we have been disadvantaged by the progress of the wall construction further up the beach. To not approve our application would not only be unfair but as ridiculous as reversing the work that has already been done on the other part of the wall. Please also consider the stress and anxiety of not living with some kind of protection every time we have a king tide or an east coast low. For many of us, our mental health is also affected by the decision as well as the delay.

I am understanding of people's opposition however am hopeful that the way forward isn't to punish the current residents of this strip of beach for the errors of the past.

Yours sincerely

Sharon Dalitz