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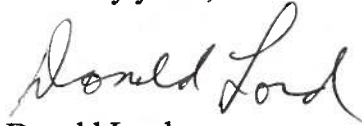
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Dear Sir:

I was recently informed that the Commission has asked the Study Board to make an exploratory investigation of raising the level of Lake Michigan. Is this correct?

I find it hard to believe that such a thing would be even considered. Do you not realize the damage that was done to coastal properties along Lake Michigan when the water level was high in the late 1980's. Houses went into the Lake or were not habitable and real estate values dropped drastically affecting both the property owner and the real estate taxes collected by the different levels of government. We spent thousands of dollars to save our home that had had over two hundred yards of beach in front of it before the high water and now there wasn't any beach.

Sincerely yours,



Donald Lord