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Honouring Ray's final wish

Nova Scotia Nature Trust promotes unique estate sale to support land conservation

(HALIFAX) – A unique oceanfront home in Nova Scotia's Shelburne County is at the heart of an unexpected gift to the Nova Scotia Nature Trust.

Following the death of Port L'Hebert, Shelburne County, resident Victor "Ray" Titterington in 2020, the Nature Trust was notified that Titterington's will named the charity as the sole beneficiary of the proceeds of his estate. The assets of the estate include seven acres of property, a customized oceanfront home filled with hand-crafted woodwork, furniture and whimsical carvings, a large solarium and a personal woodworking shop.

"The last 25 years of Ray's life saw him build and maintain a once-in-a-lifetime home," said Bonnie Sutherland, Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust. "Although the Nature Trust was surprised by this gift, we are forever grateful for Ray's generosity in donating his entire estate to advance the work of the Trust in protecting nature in Nova Scotia for future generations. We are doing everything we can as a charity to fulfil Ray's wish to see his life's work put towards land conservation."

The Titterington estate has been listed for a month with real estate agent Corey Huskilson, a Shelburne native whose territory runs across Nova Scotia's South Shore into Halifax Regional Municipality. The handcrafted furniture and carvings are also available for sale, either as part of the property or separately. All net proceeds will directly support the Nature Trust, consistent with the terms of Titterington's will. With a number of potential offers being contemplated, the Nature Trust has extended the timing for offers. They will start accepting and reviewing offers on Friday, October 9.

"Job one for the Nature Trust is to honour Ray's request of us. That is our charge to keep to Ray, so that his legacy lives on by protecting and safeguarding more land in Nova Scotia for future generations," added Sutherland. "We invite anyone interested in this estate to get in touch soon, so they don't miss out on this great opportunity to invest in both a tremendously unique estate, but also the work of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust."

More information about Ray Titterington's story and his estate is available at nsnt.ca/blog. The property listing is found at <https://www.royallepage.ca/en/property/nova-scotia/port-lhebert/1654-mcleans-lake-road/13166299/mls202017276/>.

Take a virtual property tour <https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=RkWd8mRSgFw>

Anyone interested in finding out more about leaving a bequest to help protect Nova Scotia's Natural Legacy is encouraged to contact the Nature Trust at (902) 425-5263.

About the Nova Scotia Nature Trust

For more than 25 years, the Nova Scotia Nature Trust has been Nova Scotia's only charity dedicated exclusively to protecting our province's unique natural legacy through private land conservation. The Nature Trust recently set a goal of doubling the amount of its protected wild space by 2023 – an additional 15,000 acres.

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