

Subject: CF 14-0268-S13, Anti-Tenant Harassment ordinance

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Dear Honorable Council Members Cedillo, Krekorian, and Harris-Dawson,

I want to ask you to support CF-14-0268-S13, the Anti-Harassment ordinance, that you are considering right now.

I have lived in an RSO bungalow apartment in Silver Lake for almost 20 years. There have been times throughout my tenancy where I lived with apprehension of the landlords' irrational and emotionally charged unpredictable behaviors. I am a good tenant, abiding, not disruptive, always paying my rent on time, caring for where I live and its environs; however, at times, it got quite upsetting to be threatened with eviction for inquiring about a certain fee that was suddenly attached to my rent bill after years of not appearing there or looking out for a neighbor's wellbeing when she faced some challenging repairs to her place. I had wanted to live peacefully all these years without causing a disturbance so I always tried to tread lightly but even so, I would become a subject to the landlords mood swings. it came as a surprise sometimes to find the landlords beings so volatile. I hadn't realized for years that as an RSO tenant, I have rights and now I'm so appreciative about that.

It's a working relationship, tenant and landlord, each benefiting from the exchange. But when landlords abuse the tenants by harassing, threatening, then they 'lord' over those they are benefiting from and it becomes unequal. This needs to be checked, and tenant's rights protected.

Therefore I urge you to support this measure for all tenants city wide. In a world growing more and more consumptive and greedy, human decency is being scrapped and kicked to the curb in a devastating way. It's time to stand up and stop this tidal wave.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

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Re: CF 14-0268-S13

Dear Honorable Council Members Cedillo, Krekorian, and Harris-Dawson:

I write this letter to strongly support the Anti-Tenant Harassment ordinance. It is of vital importance that as either a home owner or tenant that one should feel safe without threat, harassment, or harm. This ordinance should reach far and wide to not only Rent Stabilized units but to all tenants in the City of Los Angeles.

As a victim of deliberate harassment by my landlords and sexual assault by my landlord's worker, it is imperative that tenants should be protected against physical, verbal, and emotional abuse. At considerable cost to my health and income, I was forced to hire an attorney to protect myself against these attacks, including eviction following an 8-day trial. Fortunately, I have prevailed against their threats and attacks and I am currently engaged in a law suit against my landlords. I believe that tenants must have the support and resources they need in order to protect themselves against any form of harassment or abuse. This ordinance ensures an essential dynamic for a healthy and sustainable growth to our city's enormous tenant population. Tenants are vital members to our growing economy and must be afforded vigorous safety protections.

Please strengthen the rights of tenants against any potential threat or abuse of landlords across our great city. I trust that you will support the Anti-Tenant Harassment ordinance that rightfully offers much needed protections for tenants.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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