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Please Consider How Home-Sharing Ordinance CF#14-1635-S2 May Affect People Like Me

1 message

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About:

The council file number: CF#14-1635-S2

The planning commission file number: CPC-2016-1243-CA

Hello,

I am hoping you will consider how this ordinance would affect me. I live in a wonderful two bedroom cottage that I would not be able to afford without the help of Airbnb. I used to rent out my second room to roommates but sadly half of the people I rented to, did not end up being a good experience for me or my home. Those are not good odds when it comes to having to live with people. Since I opened up my second room on Airbnb, I have had wonderful people 97% of the time! The other 3% weren't even bad, we just didn't connect. The big difference that Airbnb offers for people like me, is that I have a way of having vetted people into my home. And the people who do not yet have reviews, have to earn a good one, so they are accountable for how they act in my home, treat my neighbors, treat me etc.

Airbnb has allowed me to have time to myself when I need to decompress. My neighbors used to have complaints about my roommates not respecting the rules of the property. Ever since Airbnb, my guests agree to the rules before they come, and are held accountable through reviews after they leave. I have not had a problem since I started supplementing my rent through using the service that Airbnb provides. My quality of life has significantly gone up and I have met wonderful people from all parts of the world. Many who decide to stay with me are either trying to relocate to LA or are temporary students. These are people who would not be able to afford a hotel on their budget or be able to sign a lease.

I have found that Home-Sharing is not about tourism or robbing hotels of those tourist dollars. It's exactly what it claims to be; H O M E S H A R I N G. Which is a mutual benefit. I share my home and as a result, I have been able to travel for business or pleasure and people have shared their homes with me. We help each

other pay our rents and mortgages. We expand our world view. We create a culture of courtesy and trust. This is not some idealistic notion. This is something I am living every day thanks to Airbnb.

I hope you can consider the quality-of-life improvements that Airbnb has created for many people like myself and how certain restrictions within this ordinance may affect that.

Best,
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[SHORT-TERM RENTALS] Support of Regulation

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Hi,

I am writing in support of LA City Council action on regulating Short-Term Rentals. Not only will the approach be better for neighborhoods but make sure that the City gets the resulting occupancy taxes that are appropriately due. There is no reason for hotels, motels, and other such facilities to collect and pay those taxes to the City and those providing Short-Term Rental not collect and pay them.

Further, particularly given the difficulty in people obtaining full-time housing, it is inappropriate for landlords to displace full-time tenants (including those in rent-controlled units) to go into the Short-Term Rental business.

I very much appreciate your consideration of my opinion and your service to our beloved City!

Thanks,

David

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