

Letter: Short-Term Rentals Promote Quality of Life

Honorable Councilmembers:

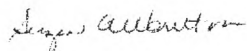
I live in a single-family residence and I rent out my spare guest house through an online vacation rental service. My husband passed away unexpectedly and without the extra income, I would not be able to stay in the home he and I shared for almost ten years. Renting this space has given me a critically needed source of supplementary income, and I'm writing to respectfully ask that you refrain from implementing any policy that would take that away.

The income I've received from renting out my guest house has been nothing short of a lifeline. I've had nothing but good experiences with my guests. My neighbors are aware of the rental and have not been impacted. In fact, they ask me how it is going all the time. They know I need this source of income.

I've seen some of the negative media depictions of short-term renters in LA, and they are simply not what I have experienced. Some of my renters, for instance, are soon-to-be Angelinos needing a temporary place to stay. Some are working here on a project, and some are on vacation. I set very clear rules and guidelines to ensure the guest understands the importance of being courteous to my neighbors. None of my guests has ever treated my property or my neighbors with anything but respect. I happen to work out of my home, so I am here most of the time to answer questions and make sure nothing goes awry.

There are many others out there like me – people who depend on short-term rental services to make the extra money they need when they fall on hard times or when their day jobs just aren't enough. I also see that money is spent in both the immediate ~~vicinity~~ rental services in LA, I ask that you consider the enormous impact they've had on the quality of life for me, and countless other Angelinos – not just the party-house footage you've seen on TV.

Thank you,



Suzan Allbritton
578 Washington Blvd. # 396
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

I SUPPORT SHORT TERM RENTALS

Honorable Councilmembers:

I read recently about Councilmember Bonin's proposal to limit short-term rentals in Los Angeles. I support smart, sensible regulation of this business in our city. But I think the current proposal overreaches, and bans elements of this industry that clearly should be kept intact.

I recently inherited a home in Los Angeles, and I depend on the income I generate from renting it to guests. The current proposal would make it illegal for me to rent out my own second home, and that doesn't make sense.

I understand the intent of this proposal – to stop property owners from turning apartment buildings into de facto hotels – but limiting short-term rentals strictly to a property owner's primary residence simply goes too far. If somebody owns a single-family home, they should be able to rent that home as they please.

Aside from the issue of property owners' rights, the fact is that there's a huge tourism demand in our city for comfortable, homey, authentic accommodations. The millions of tourists visiting Los Angeles every year shouldn't be limited to choosing between a large hotel and someone's primary residence.

Again, I have no issue with sensible regulation of the short-term rental business. But we need to be smart about where we draw the line, so that we're not creating unintended consequences that needlessly eliminate parts of this valuable, job-creating industry that clearly have the right to exist.

As someone dependent upon renting out my own second home for income, I strongly urge you to consider all of the consequences of the proposal before us, before making a careless decision that would significantly harm so many Angelenos in my position.

Sincerely,

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I SUPPORT SHORT TERM RENTALS

Honorable Councilmembers:

I am a Realtor in West LA. I use vacation rental services for some of my properties . I am very hands on in maintaining quiet, and clean apartments for residents and neighbors alike.

I agree with the idea of regulating short-term rentals to create a better tax collection framework, and make things less confusing for everyone. There are also situations – such as buildings covered under the RSO – that don't necessarily make sense for short-term rental. But I don't agree with implementing policy that would irrationally curtail this valuable, job-creating business, which has existed in harmony with our neighborhoods for decades.

I've seen the scandalous TV news stories about rowdy guests partying in quiet neighborhoods. This depiction is simply not an accurate representation of what I do. I follow a rigorous safety and security protocol to ensure that the guest and neighbors are happy. I am available by phone 24/7; I respond to any noise complaints by neighbors; and I ensure that all parking, noise level, pet, smoking and other property rules are known and adhered to by guests.

As property owners and managers, many of us fully support the idea of regulating the short-term rental business. We want to help create an orderly system that educates owners and managers, and provides tools for bringing businesses into compliance, and ensuring the implementation of best practices for the sake of our neighborhoods. We know this kind of regulation can work, because we've seen it done successfully in other California cities like Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert and Palm Springs.

What we can't afford as a city is to take a reactionary, blanket approach to this issue based on limited anecdotal evidence. The short-term rental business has existed harmoniously in our neighborhoods and driving our tourism economy for years. We should work together toward a regulatory solution that protects our neighborhoods while leaving our business and our jobs intact.

Respectfully,

Cynthia Satterfield

FAX COVER SHEET

TO

COMPANY

FAXNUMBER 12139781079

FROM Unit One, Inc.

DATE 2015-08-18 22:15:09 GMT

RE I support short term rentals

COVER MESSAGE

BeforeActing,ConsiderUnintendedConsequences

HonorableCouncilmembers:

I read recently about Councilmember Bonin's proposal to limit short-term rentals in Los Angeles. I support smart, sensible regulation of this business in our city. But I think the current proposal overreaches, and bans elements of this industry that clearly should be kept intact.

For instance, I own a second home in the valley, and I depend on the income I generate from renting it to guests when I'm not using it. The current proposal would make it illegal for me to rent out my own second home, and that doesn't make sense. We pride ourselves in being good neighbors and our neighbors know of and support what we are doing. We pay all taxes due on these rentals.

I understand the intent of this proposal – to stop property owners from turning apartment buildings into de facto hotels – but limiting short-term rentals strictly to a property owner's primary residence simply goes too far. If somebody owns a single-family home, they should be able to rent that home as they please.

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Again, I have no issue with sensible regulation of the short-term rental business. In fact I have long encouraged it. But we need to be smart about where we draw the line, so that we're not creating unintended consequences that needlessly eliminate parts of this valuable, job-creating industry that clearly have the right to exist.

As someone dependent upon renting out my own second home for income, I strongly urge you to consider all of the consequences of the proposal before us, before making a careless decision that would significantly harm so many Angelenos in my position.

Sincerely,

Bob Cook

Ben Cook

Letter: Before Acting, Consider Unintended Consequences

Honorable Councilmembers:

I own a duplex in Los Angeles. I live in one half, and rent out the other. It would seem to me the height of government overreach to tell me I can rent out my own property for 31 days, but not 29 days?

Why not? In fact, when I went away on vacation last year, I rented my OWN unit for the 10 days I was gone. The money I made was spent painting my building. This is economic stimulus. AirBnB frees up wasted space and puts it to use. WIN-WIN.

My guests LOVE staying in my place. I have nothing by 5-star reviews. Do the neighbors mind? I don't know. I haven't heard a thing. In fact, I live next door, and I rarely if ever even meet my guests – they are out seeing the city!

Let's not be like France with Uber, or Santa Monica with AirBnB, who let hotel worker's unions, of all people, write the law.

As someone dependent upon renting out my own second home for income, I strongly urge you to consider all of the consequences of the proposal before us, before making a careless decision that would significantly harm so many Angelenos in my position.

Sincerely,

*Brock Harris
2235 Hyperion Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90027
213-842-7625*

August 7, 2015

Office of the City Clerk
200 B. Spring St., Rm 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear City Council,

I'm Victoria Jacobo, and am a Stay City Rentals employee. I love my job, work environment and immensely depend on my job. I am head household, with 5 mouths to feed. I commute to not only work, but my children s' doctors appointments and that requires gas- thus requires money. I enjoy interacting with the diversity of guests who come and stay with our company. I work to support my family and myself. Currently I am enabling my child the right to education and finance her in college. I NEED MY JOB! My company offers me health insurance and gives me great hours. Do not take that from me.'

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Sincerely,

Victoria Jacobo

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August 11, 2015

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Thank You God Bless

Maria Pena

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August 8, 2015

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To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

Hello my name is Roman Campos, I work for Stay City Rentals as a greet and meet agent for zone 1. Stay City rentals is a short-term rental industry that I love to work for. This job has been so great, I have learned so much form work here, My communication skills have rapidly majored from have some great guest in this job. Guest are so lovely and kind with us (Stay City). Since I've started working here I've never had no problem with a guest everything just comes out perfect. I would hate for this short-term rental industry to shut down, my family depends on me they always seen me as a hard working man. If I was to lose this career it won't just effective me but my family, community, and co-workers ass well. Co-workers relay in this career, my co-work try there best to help each other out to have everything on point. Stay City rental wants to be the best for everyone and believe that it will improve and be the best.

Sincerely,

Roman Campos
(323)539-0652

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August 7, 2015

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My name is Jennifer Lara I am a Stay City Rental employee we are a short term rental company, I would like give my opinion on this matter. I think it's unfair that people wanna shut down short term rentals simply because all of us housekeepers will be without a job. How will we feed our children it's wrong. I enjoy my job and my fellow co workers we are and work as a team. Please give us the opportunity to continue to work and earn our daily bread to provide for our families.

Thank you,

Jennifer Lara

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To Whom it may concern

I have worked in the short term rental industry for 5 years now, and the customers I have dealt with love the short term rentals, they are so much more than a hotel room. They have their privacy along with all the comforts of home. It would be a shame for the city council to put an end to the short term rentals. This would be putting 100's of hard working people out of work.

We do offer our employee's health insurance as well, it makes no sense why you would want to put an end to this.

Thank You
Suzie Francis

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My name is Gisella Feliciano, I am a full-time university student and finance myself through school I am a Stay City Rentals employee and enjoy my job. I own my own car, and have car payments, I pay gas and I commute from work to school on a daily. Books are expensive, and will only get more expensive! I love interacting with guests and I depend on this job survive. My single mother is unemployed, pregnant and in bed rest. I NEED MY JOB, don't take it away.

Thank you,

Gisella Feliciano

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August 10, 2015


Dear Members of the City Council,

I write as an employee for a Short-term Business Company, this letter is to provide you my strong support to maintain and keep the Short-term Rental business in the City of Los Angeles. This is to emphasize how the business has been not only been supporting our livelihood and careers but also in sustaining the hospitality service of the tourism industry of the city.

Being employed in the short-term business has been a very exciting experience; we as a hospitality service do not only provide housing for travelers and tourist but also amenities that they can enjoy a home away from home. This type of business is an added service to the tourism industry where we give more options for our tourist to enjoy the city knowing they can stay at well maintained and secured properties that is available wherever they wish to travel. We have been very fortunate that the business has achieved a growing attention to our vast growing tourist from different countries around the world that we make sure to welcome and guarantee that they not only enjoy their stay but also experience the City of LA.

Our company has not only provided us with sustainable work for ourselves and our families but also provides us with health benefit options. Being able to be a part of a company that does not only benefit the tourism and hospitality industry but also help provides us locals with jobs and the opportunity to develop and use our skills has been very essential to the community. Looking forward, I would like to submit my support to help keep and maintain the short-term rental business in the City of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,


Michael David Vega

(818) 370-1562

August 7, 2015

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To our City Council

Hi my name is Rosa Barrientos my cell phone number is 323) 6315282 I am a current employee for a short term rentals company which I love , i enjoy working with guest and this is my career building job. I enjoy working for short term rentals I've work in customer service all my life this is what im great at . Please help short term rentals to keep moving forward in helping their employees to have a safe realiable job. This job is where i feel most comfortable and confident thanks to my job working for short term rental I help my family's needs it is my only source of income now, i do not have a secondary job because i give my 100% on this one. If short term rentals were to be taken out of business so many families would have to struggle to find a job and not only that , but where would we find a job that appreciates our work. This career building job has been my first job where they appreciate employees ,we have health benefits which helps my family alot when ill.

Rosa Barrientos

8/7/15



August 8, 2015

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Dear City Council,

Hello my name is Felipe Palomares I'm an employee at Stay City Rentals, The reason for this letter is to inform you of how much i need and love my job. The need comes from providing for my family and being the backbone that i been for them, the love comes from having the fortune to work somewhere that the routine is never the same, meeting wonderful guest from all over the world, helping guest stay in a reliable and safe place makes our company and I adore what we do. Please don't take this from us a lot of people including me and my family depend on this. Thanks

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Sincerely,

Felipe Paiomares

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City Council,

hola mi nombre es karla guillen yo trabajo para stay city rentals soy housekeeping y mi familia depende de mi y de mi trabajo aquí estoy muy preocupada ya que es difícil encontrar trabajo nuevamente y considero que hay muchas personas que les gusta mucho hospedarse aquí ya que no se sienten incómodas como en un hotel es un lugar agradable para familias que viajan con niños así que espero que reconsideren el mantener este lugar abierto siempre .

Karla Guillen

KARLA Guillen

August 7, 2015

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Hi

My name is Blanca Ayala I been working in the short term rental industry for 5 yrs I am a mother of 4 teens and working in this industry helps pay my bill ,rent , support my kids keeps my family out of the welfare system I love working and doing what I do . Every guest I have met Love it the more of a home away from home feeling they get from our locations all the amenities we provide to them are always a plus for guest . Short term rental companies have opened 100s of jobs for 100s of people including myself and family .shutting short term rentals would leave all of us with out jobs we have families to support bills to pay this would also leave us with out no health insurance saving short term rentals from shutting down is saving 100s of families from ending job less .

Thank you.

Blanca Ayala

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August 14, 2015

Dear City Council,

I am writing this letter to address my support in keeping Short-term Rentals in the City of LA. Please know that I value my job working for a company that focuses on short term rental. This company provides me with work so that I can support myself and family. It would be terrible to lose such a great opportunity and career. We have many employees who rely on this type business and it also helps our economy that keeps those who would go on welfare from doing so and also having dignity of having a job.

Please keep short term Rentals going!

Sincerely,
Andrea Desantis
(213) 884- 3534

Handwritten signature of Andrea Desantis, consisting of stylized initials 'AD' followed by a long horizontal flourish.

August 14, 2015

Dear City Council,

Short term rentals has been a great help to various people not only to myself. It opens up doors of opportunities that otherwise would not be available to the community such as a beach houses, rustic homes, and many different styles of housing. This business has given more than just comfortable living properties but also the satisfaction of being able to travel with ease along the City of LA.

It provides funds for my family and I to keep on. I love my job and everyday I go to work with a smile and come back home still having that smile.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Stephanie White
(323) 500-8023

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Let's use abundant common sense, Not a Reactionary Approach

Honorable Councilmembers:

I am a property manager/owner in Venice, managing 3 quaint eco-friendly cottages near the beach (www.venicebeachecocottages.com). The number of hotel rooms available in Venice versus the number of out of town visitors to Venice, makes this a win-win situation for all parties.

I agree with the idea of regulating short-term rentals to create a better tax collection framework, and make things less confusing for everyone. There are also situations – such as buildings covered under the RSO – that don't necessarily make sense for short-term rental. But I don't agree with implementing policy that would irrationally curtail this valuable, job-creating business, which has existed in harmony with our neighborhoods for decades.

I've seen the scandalous TV news stories about rowdy guests partying in quiet neighborhoods. This depiction is simply not an accurate representation of my property. My cottages, for instance, follows a strict "no party" policy due to the intimate nature of the immediate neighborhood. All of my neighbors have my phone number and know they can call me if any problems arise. I check with my neighbors on a regular basis, and they consistently give me feedback that they enjoy having the cottages nearby. We respond to any noise complaints by neighbors; and we ensure that all parking, noise level, pet, smoking and other property rules are known and adhered to by guests.

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Respectfully,

Ross Chapman

Owner

Venice Beach Eco Cottages

August 11, 2015

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Thank You God Bless

Maria Pena

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City Council,

My name is Tavita Luna my phone number is 310) 9124303. I am writing to you in regards to short term rentals ,I am employed in a one of these company it will be terrible if i were to lose my job I have two children that depend on me only and this company has been very helpful. We have benefits of health insurance which is a blessing . Please help us keep short term rentals going I Love working with this company they know how to appreciate good employees.

Thank You for your time in reading this.

Tavita Luna

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Antonio Campos
(323) 337-3958
a.campos_8@yahoo.com

August 10, 2015

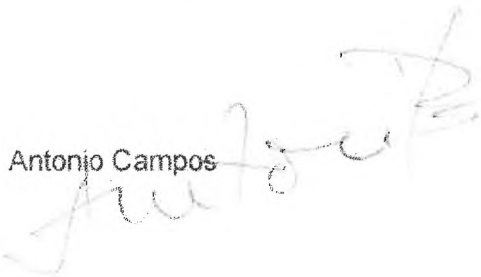
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City Council

I write to you today, in regards of our jobs in the short-term rental industry. I am an employee of this industry. My title is a meet/greet agent. In my position, i'm in contact with hundreds if not thousands of guest that we have had so far. This industry has kept many families, college students, people of all over the world very happy with there short term stay in our units. The smile that these guest present to us when they see their units it's so heartwarming. Our guest just completely love this industry. "Better than a hotel," "a home away from home," is what i hear them say all the time. I just can't possibly believe that our city wants to shut down this industry. Think of all the jobs that will be put in jeopardy. All the effort to make this a better industry will be for nothing. I work really hard and this industry knows that, and takes really good care of me and my family. This industry goes out of their way to insure not only our guest are happy but their employees as-well. So i ask again, why does this city want to shut down our industry? Our company's health insurance will be terminated and our health would be in risk. How will I continue to provide for my wife and kid, where will we live if i'm not able to pay the rent. Without this industry i'm just another statistic in the homeless community. Please, don't shut down this industry.

Thank you for your time.

Antonio Campos



August 8, 2015

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To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

My name is Andrew Walker and I am an employee at Stay City Rentals. It has come to my attention that the short-term rental industry is facing much scrutiny in the development of local legislation regarding short-term rentals and short-term rental regulation. I know and see the need for this industry for consumers, employees, and the local economy.

The short-term rental industry is doing exactly what capitalism is built to do. We have found a way to offer something of greater or equal value for a better price than the hotel industry and the markets have responded with nothing but enthusiasm. The tourism industry is becoming more diversified through unique local neighborhoods across LA as opposed to being "mainlined" in the well-known hubs. Consumers are able to have unique vacation experiences where they are exposed to local shops and outlets as opposed to cookie-cutter vacation stays in large chain hotels.

I understand that this industry is relatively new and in need of regulation. The City of Los Angeles could earn tens of millions of extra dollars annually by correctly implementing a taxation process for this industry. I support all efforts directed toward the regulation and taxation of the short-term rental industry as a whole. I see its need economically and support its growth and development within the sharing economy.

I currently work as a corporate officer for one of the largest short-term rental companies in Los Angeles. We currently have in excess of 30 employees, both part and full time. This is the only source of income for at least half of our current employees. Many of them have families and children they need to support as well. As a company, we are acting responsibly to create a workplace that offers growth and benefits for our employees. We are currently establishing a health care policy for our full-time employees and are focused on creating a company that offers opportunities for growth and development. We have several positions within the company of varying degrees of responsibility and are dedicated to train our employees to become the best that they can be. Many of them are not familiar with modern technology, yet we are training them to become affluent in modern forms of communication and collaboration. It is one of our main goals to incorporate learning into the workplace and make our employees the best that they can be.

The short-term rental industry is meeting the needs of the market, employees, and the local economy. I am for the regulation of the short-term rental industry by the City of Los Angeles and look forward to being a part of its local development.

Sincerely,



Andrew Walker

Los Angeles City Council

My name is Jorge Castillo my contact number is 818)612-6193. I am writing this letter regarding short term rentals and why it would be a terrible idea for this to shut down. I am a single father and my daughters depend on me . This establishment has made me grow as a person and a worker. They offer my family health benefits which is really important being a single father of two. Please keep in mind that were not only losing our jobs but we will be affected with not having health insurance.

Thank You

Jorge Castillo

Jorge Castillo

8/16/15

August 7, 2015

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City Council,

Trabajo para Stay City Rentals es mi fuente de ingreso, y dependo de este. si por algun motivo se cerrara la empresa no tendria modo de solventar mis gastos, esta empresa es muy comoda para mi con horarios flexibles y trabajo entre un equipo de personas amables, los clientes escogen este servicio puesto que son comodios, faciles, seguros, y con un servicio muy eficaz de manera que pueden recomendar el servicio, haciendo esto una competencia competente al nivel que se necesita, dandome a mi la oportunidad de desarrollarme en un buen trabajo, y ambiente laboral..

Cassandra Rios
323 945 4702

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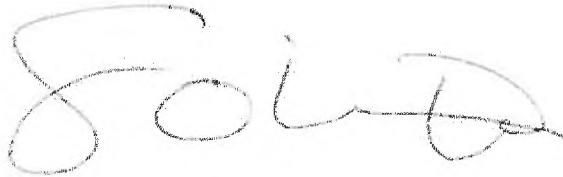
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August 7,2015

Hi,

My name is Sean and i work for the short term Rentals Industry and my thoughts and words I will be brief,bold,frank and to the point: It's quite a shame how you are attempting to put people out of work that have families, rent,bills,food to put on the table,and gas in the car. I myself am grateful to finally have a job I like,with a company I like,and workmates i like and for you to put that in jeopardy is truly a sad and selfish thing your trying to do. Please check your conscience and yes your heart as a human being. WE ALL DEARLY NEED OUR JOBS!!!! Sincerely Sean Oneill

Thank you,

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Sean Oneill

August 14, 2015

Dear City Council,

I value and appreciate my job at staycity short term rentals
i'm very fortunate that I can support my family and look forward
to many more years of job security short rentals are a lucrative
way to generate money for the state of California .and the families
that are employed with short term rental company

Sincerely,
Bridget O' Neil
(213) 819- 3114

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August 8, 2015

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Dear City Council,

Its come to my attention that the city wants to shut down the short-term rental industry, I really hope they don't. This industry provides jobs to many people to help support their families and pay their way through different life situations. I, myself, am a single mother and a full-time college student. This company gives me an opportunity to work for my daughter, our life style and to pay for my education, not to mention to grow with the company as we try to expand. Our team gets very good reviews and have not had any problems with our guests whatsoever; we appreciate them as they appreciate us. Please reconsider your proposal.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Victoria Droin

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I write to you today, in regards of our jobs in the short-term rental industry. I am an employee of this industry. My position is known as zone manager. In my position i'm in charge of ensuring everything goes according to plan. I keep the employees happy and help maintain a balance work schedule to distribute hours for the workers equally. Here in this industry we take care of employees as much as we take care of the guest. With a happy employee you will achieve outstanding work productivity. Does ensuring that our guest will come to a beautiful clean unit thats is beyond expectations. I like to make sure when we tell our guest about our luxury apartments that is luxurious as possible, and it all starts with us employees. We make sure our employees including myself are taking care of, starting with great company health insurance. Health insurance is very important me and my family, without it i'd be stacked with high medical bills. This industry does is best to help me out. Financially they keep me happy, i'm so grateful to be able to help provide for my family. This industry does so much for this city. I love the short term rental industry and I could just go on and on of how great it is. Lets not shut down this industry we get no benefits from doing that. We be destroying the careers and financial stability that I work so hard to build. I see no reason to shut down this industry, what good can come from it? You wouldn't be helping the city and you wouldn't be helping the economy.

Doina Olteanu

Letter: Before Acting, Consider Unintended Consequences

Honorable Councilmembers:

I read recently about Councilmember Bonin's proposal to limit short-term rentals in Los Angeles. I support smart, sensible regulation of this business in our city. But I think the current proposal overreaches, and bans elements of this industry that clearly should be kept intact.

For instance, I own a second home near the beach in Los Angeles, and I depend on the income I generate from renting it to guests when I'm not using it. I do not rent my home as a full-time rental because my family and I use it regularly. The current proposal would make it illegal for me to rent out my own second home, and that doesn't make sense.

I understand the intent of this proposal – to stop property owners from turning apartment buildings into de facto hotels – but limiting short-term rentals strictly to a property owner's primary residence simply goes too far. If somebody owns a single-family home, they should be able to rent that home as they please.

Aside from the issue of property owners' rights, the fact is that there's a huge tourism demand in our city for comfortable, homey, authentic accommodations. The millions of tourists visiting Los Angeles every year shouldn't be limited to choosing between a large hotel and someone's primary residence.

Again, I have no issue with sensible regulation of the short-term rental business. But we need to be smart about where we draw the line, so that we're not creating unintended consequences that needlessly eliminate parts of this valuable, job-creating industry that clearly have the right to exist.

As someone dependent upon renting out my own second home for income, I strongly urge you to consider all of the consequences of the proposal before us before making a

Tina Walter

To The City Council

Hi My name is David Castillo my contact number is 702)772-4883.I am employed with a short term rental company which is a company that cares about their workers. The company has helped my family with health insurance. This has been my first working company that takes its time to manage and care for their employees. Help us for many families wont be without a job/career.

Thank You

David Castillo

8/16/15

Dear City Council,

I am a college student with bills to pay. I was fortunate enough to find a good job within the short-term rental industry. There are quite a few flaws, but every job isn't perfect. For me, I joined this company when it was starting up and have been here for a while, I have gotten adapted to this new life. At first it was alright, but as the company expanded I was getting excited that, as a member of this family, I might receive some benefits; to start, we've been offered health care, something we all need. At this point the company has improved greatly and continues to improve. I enjoy my job, I like the environment and the people I interact with.

Sincerely,
Alexander Droin
562-313-4396



Dear Council,

I am a employee of a fantastic business known as short term rentals. I say this because the satisfaction and joy brought to tourist when they arrive to not only their new home but a whole new experience. In my time working, I have learned many life skills and was able to meet a wide sum of people from all over the world. I even keep contact with sum today. Ending such a business would be disastrous not only for the tourist who love to stay in a place that provides many amenities but also for the families who made this a career. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

Joseph Serrano

(424) 273 0493

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joseph Serrano', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

August 8, 2015

Office of the City Clerk
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

Hello my name is Roman Campos, I work for Stay City Rentals as a greet and meet agent for zone 1. Stay City rentals is a short-term rental industry that I love to work for. This job has been so great, I have learned so much form work here, My communication skills have rapidly majored from have some great guest in this job. Guest are so lovely and kind with us (Stay City). Since I've started working here I've never had no problem with a guest everything just comes out perfect. I would hate for this short-term rental industry to shut down, my family depends on me they always seen me as a hard working man. If I was to lose this career it won't just effective me but my family, community, and co-workers ass well. Co-workers relay in this career, my co-work try there best to help each other out to have everything on point. Stay City rental wants to be the best for everyone and believe that it will improve and be the best.

Sincerely,

Roman Campos
(323)539-0652

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roman Campos". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

August 7, 2015

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200 B. Spring St., Rm 395
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City Council,

Trabajo para Stay City Rentals es mi fuente de ingreso, y dependo de este, si por algun motivo se cerrara la empresa no tendria modo de solventar mis gastos, esta empresa es muy comoda para mi con horarios flexibles y trabajo entre un equipo de personas amables, los clientes escogen este servicio puesto que son comodis, faciles, seguros, y con un servicio muy eficaz de manera que pueden recomendar el servicio, haciendo esto una competencia competente al nivel que se necesita, dandome a mi la oportunidad de desarrollarme en un buen trabajo, y ambiente laboral..

Casandra Rios
323 945 4702

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Casandra Rios". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name and phone number.

08.15.2015

Los Angeles City Council,

Honorable Council Members,

My name is Alcira Arredondo, and I am working as a housekeeper for a resort that uses its facilities as short-term rentals. Short-term rentals are generating jobs for us and they are giving us the opportunity to work and feed our families instead of being a public charge or collecting money from welfare. Through this letter I want to express that banning short-term rentals is going to be detrimental for us, for Los Angeles City, for the society, not only for me, but also for the rest of the co-workers and their families. Since council members have the power to do so, please allow short-term rentals, to live and work with dignity and respect.

Alcira Arredondo
323.629.6445

