

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello, I am a home owner of an RSO unit and depend on short term rentals to keep up with my monthly mortgage payments. Please understand that I don't enjoy sharing my homes with strangers everyday, I don't think anybody does. But I do it out of necessity, just like most Airbnb hosts. We are simply home owners looking to survive. Banning Airbnb for RSO units is essentially kicking out thousands of home-owners from their property, leaving many homeowners displaced and destitute. As home owners, we have worked hard to save up over the years of our lives for a roof over our heads. Unfortunately, many of us don't have safety nets and lost most of the safety net back in 2008 crisis and now our homes are our only assets. Once short term rental is taken away, it is no longer an asset but becomes a liability- one that we cannot afford due to many of life's circumstances (old age, medical issues, retired, etc). I hope Council will reconsider the position of the people they are harming if we are not allowed to host short term stays. It is the people of Los Angeles that have worked all their lives, paid their taxes, and took out loans to buy homes to put a roof over their heads. We should not be penalized for trying simply to survive and make ends meet. Thank you for your consideration.

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**Comments for Public Posting:** There are many hosts who live in their RSO units that have been banned from doing STR since last July. This income was critical to help pay for my families outrageous medical bills. I'm not sure why the council hasn't been able to help expedite this amendment which was passed in Nov last year. Our homes are not taking affordable units off the market because we have a T1 exemption from the city which allows us to live in the unit i own. Its very sad that the HSO didn't make the correction before the enforcement. I'm begging you to please pick up the phone and call the city planning department to finished their study which you asked for last year. There are 100's LA city residents that used to be able to host and are waiting for our leaders to do the right thing. Thank you for taking the time to read this.