

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: RE: Home Sharing Ordinance Administration and Implementation 6/18/2019 My name is Gina Charusombat and I am the policy and program coordinator with the Thai Community Development Center. We work with low and moderate income Thai and other ethnic minorities in the greater Los Angeles area through a comprehensive community development strategy that includes affordable housing, human rights advocacy and equitable development. We support the implementation of Appendix A of the Home Sharing Ordinance (CF 14-1635-S7). Ms Pat and her husband are seniors who currently rent a home in Venice. They approached us to request resources when they were faced with situation where their landlord attempted to evict them to convert the home into a short-term rental. Thanks to the Eviction Defense Network, they were able to remain in their home. We see the pressure that renters face. We need strong oversight of the Home Sharing Ordinance to ensure that community members can remain in their rental homes. In particular, we need to ensure regulation that ensures RSO units are protected from the short-term rental market. Thank you to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee and the Department of Planning for preparing the administration and implementation of the Home Sharing Ordinance.

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Comments for Public Posting: A lot of short term rental hosts rely on income from short term rentals to survive and pay medical bills. A lot of homeowners cant pay their mortgage without it. Many live in a duplex which falls under rent control so they are unfairly excluded from being able to do short term rentals. Also these annual fees in addition to the 14 percent occupancy tax are really over the top. If airbnb is banned a lot of us will lose our health insurance and fall behind on our mortgage. Banning airbnb will not solve the homeless problem as the homeless will not become tenants. Most airbnb hosts are not looking for a long term tenant, either. Short term rentals should simply be legal, there is nothing objectionable about them and many people rely on it to make ends meet!