

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi, my name is Dinah Muhammad and I am a constituent in your district. I'm a queer, working class southeast asian LA resident living with my partner, paycheck to paycheck. They got laid off from their line cook job at a hotel due to COVID-19. I'm still working as an essential worker, barely getting protective equipment, making slightly above minimum wage with a meager "hazard pay." I'm calling as part of the Healthy LA coalition to urge Mitch O'Farrell to support worker retention and right of recall policies so we can go back to work when the crisis is over. There is so much financial inescurity and anxiety around rent, bills, food, debt--workers, like me and my partner, need to know their jobs will still be there when they get back. I'm also calling for rent forgiveness for tenants affected by COVID-19, meaning all tenants, not just a rent freeze or rent moratorium. Your districts are full of renters: single mothers, families, those taking care of the elderly, folks working 2-3 jobs; landlords should not have the power to dictate this. We are the ones most affected right now. Rent forgiveness, worker retention, and right of recall for LA tenants and workers NOW!