

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Re: Bonin's "Homes Guarantee" - please don't abolish the 3% rent increase floor! I have tenants paying \$600 a month for apartments worth four times that. They will never, ever move. Raising their rent \$18 will not make them homeless. It will not make them have to move. Our costs are going up massively every year. Water bills, new mandatory trash hauling, insurance...the ability to raise rents a measly 3% year JUST BARELY helps us keep up. The 3% rent hike is not the issue here - it's the lack of housing. Focus on BUILDING BUILDING BUILDING not taking away the few dollars we landlords can charge extra per year. Thank you.

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello respectable members of the city council, Hello I am daughter and property manager of my Mexican born 70 year old citizen senior father and 7 unit apartment owner that is located in South LA. We've been only been providing housing to section. 8 recipients who are low income for 15 years. My father is a sole proprietor of the apartment dwellings and We don't receive any City, State or Federal tax incentives or assistance for providing subsidies and low income rentals. We've been struggling for the past years to continue providing below market value rentals to our low income tenants. If I may please beg and plead that this new motion to eliminate the 3% rent increase floor for RSO Units does not pass. As a small and struggling manager and daughter of my fathers apartment owner, we beg that the council reconsiders and not pass. This will literally put us out of business. We will no longer be able to afford our current mortgage on the 7 unit apartment building. We will no longer be able to afford our raising insurance, taxes, permits, water, gas, electrical, trash and sewage utilities and costly Maintance. And not able to make necessary Maintance or remodel. We would no longer be able to afford our own rental units or medical insurance. This will literally make my parents homeless. If this happens will the city take care of them? The same way we have helped to so may families have safe and affordable housing. And I can provide proof, my tenants love my father and family. We love each other because we've been able to help each other. But unfortunately the city has not cared for us small landlords. So I please beg and be considerate of small minority landlords who are already struggling like my father. Please don't paint all landlords with the same paint brush, because we are not all crazy rich. Some of us are at property level even tough we own units. If I may give some background info of my amazing hard working father. He is currently 70 years old, is epileptic and disabled. But that doesn't stop him by helping others and his community in South LA. He is an immigrant from Jalisco, Mexico. He moved to the US for the American Dream. He worked hard for over 25 years as a Sheet Metal worker and became a proud citizen. He purchased our child hood family home in Compton witch was foreclosed due to keeping his apartment building and the unjust laws. He is also a member of the Green Meadows community in ?District 9?. He is

the handy man worker at the units and does all repairs. All the surrounding neighbors know him and love him. He is always helping his neighbors and help them with helping with handy work. But my father is getting older and unable to afford to pay a Maintance or management company. Unfortunately this what it's come to since the cost of living and cost of labor and construction material have all gone up. And it's hard when we've committed to house low income families and are very proud of it and do a great job at providing clean and safe habitable units. But it's becoming very hard these past few years, and the past year 2018 and this year 2019 has made incredibly hard financially. We beg that the council have mercy on us. Please open you're heart and be fair. My parents have lost everything, I mean everything in order to maintain this apartment. And were always at risk of becoming homeless our self. So I beg and plead have mercy on us. We would like to make it fair for everyone. It's only fair and the right thing to do. Thank you and sorry for reading our pleading rant.