

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance adding Section 151.32 to Article 1, Chapter XV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to temporarily prohibit rent increases for rental units subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 151.32 is added to Article 1, Chapter XV the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

SEC. 151.32 PROHIBITION ON RENT INCREASES.

The maximum adjusted rent of any occupied rental unit may not be increased, unless necessary to obtain a just and reasonable return, until one year following the termination of the local emergency. "Local emergency" is defined as the local emergency declared by the Mayor on or about March 4, 2020, and ratified by City Council, in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sec. 2. **URGENCY CLAUSE.** The City Council finds and declares that this ordinance is required for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety for the following reasons: the City of Los Angeles will suffer irreparable damage, including loss of life and property, should the devastating effects of COVID-19 not be quickly mitigated. The Council, therefore, adopts this ordinance to become effective upon publication pursuant to Los Angeles City Charter Section 253.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

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Date 4/24/20

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, **by a vote of not less than three-fourths** of all its members.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Ordinance Passed _____

Approved _____