

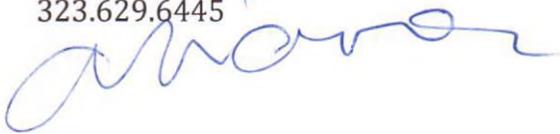
08.15.2015

Los Angeles City Council,

Honorable Council Members,

My name is Alcira Arredondo, and I am working as a housekeeper for a resort that uses its facilities as short-term rentals. Short-term rentals are generating jobs for us and they are giving us the opportunity to work and feed our families instead of being a public charge or collecting money from welfare. Through this letter I want to express that banning short-term rentals is going to be detrimental for us, for Los Angeles City, for the society, not only for me, but also for the rest of the co-workers and their families. Since council members have the power to do so, please allow short-term rentals, to live and work with dignity and respect.

Alcira Arredondo
323.629.6445



Dear City Council,

I am a college student with bills to pay. I was fortunate enough to find a good job within the short-term rental industry. There are quite a few flaws, but every job isn't perfect. For me, I joined this company when it was starting up and have been here for a while, I have gotten adapted to this new life. At first it was alright, but as the company expanded I was getting excited that, as a member of this family, I might receive some benefits; to start, we've been offered health care, something we all need. At this point the company has improved greatly and continues to improve. I enjoy my job, I like the environment and the people I interact with.

Sincerely,
Alexander Droin
562-313-4396

Alex Droin

August 14, 2015

Dear City Council,

I am writing this letter to address my support in keeping Short-term Rentals in the City of LA. Please know that I value my job working for a company that focuses on short term rental. This company provides me with work so that I can support myself and family. It would be terrible to lose such a great opportunity and career. We have many employees who rely on this type business and it also helps our economy that keeps those who would go on welfare from doing so and also having dignity of having a job.

Please keep short term Rentals going!

Sincerely,
Andrea Desantis
(213) 884- 3534

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August 8, 2015

Office of the City Clerk
200 B. Spring St., Rm 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

My name is Andrew Walker and I am an employee at Stay City Rentals. It has come to my attention that the short-term rental industry is facing much scrutiny in the development of local legislation regarding short-term rentals and short-term rental regulation. I know and see the need for this industry for consumers, employees, and the local economy.

The short-term rental industry is doing exactly what capitalism is built to do. We have found a way to offer something of greater or equal value for a better price than the hotel industry and the markets have responded with nothing but enthusiasm. The tourism industry is becoming more diversified through unique local neighborhoods across LA as opposed to being "mainlined" in the well-known hubs. Consumers are able to have unique vacation experiences where they are exposed to local shops and outlets as opposed to cookie-cutter vacation stays in large chain hotels.

I understand that this industry is relatively new and in need of regulation. The City of Los Angeles could earn tens of millions of extra dollars annually by correctly implementing a taxation process for this industry. I support all efforts directed toward the regulation and taxation of the short-term rental industry as a whole. I see its need economically and support its growth and development within the sharing economy.

I currently work as a corporate officer for one of the largest short-term rental companies in Los Angeles. We currently have in excess of 30 employees, both part and full time. This is the only source of income for at least half of our current employees. Many of them have families and children they need to support as well. As a company, we are acting responsibly to create a workplace that offers growth and benefits for our employees. We are currently establishing a health care policy for our full-time employees and are focused on creating a company that offers opportunities for growth and development. We have several positions within the company of varying degrees of responsibility and are dedicated to train our employees to become the best that they can be. Many of them are not familiar with modern technology, yet we are training them to become affluent in modern forms of communication and collaboration. It is one of our main goals to incorporate learning into the workplace and make our employees the best that they can be.

The short-term rental industry is meeting the needs of the market, employees, and the local economy. I am for the regulation of the short-term rental industry by the City of Los Angeles and look forward to being a part of its local development.

Sincerely,



Andrew Walker

Antonio Campos
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August 10, 2015

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

City Council

I write to you today, in regards of our jobs in the short-term rental industry. I am an employee of this industry. My title is a meet/greet agent. In my position, i'm in contact with hundreds if not thousands of guest that we have had so far. This industry has kept many families, college students, people of all over the world very happy with there short term stay in our units. The smile that these guest present to us when they see their units it's so heartwarming. Our guest just completely love this industry. "Better than a hotel," "a home away from home," is what i hear them say all the time. I just can't possibly believe that our city wants to shut down this industry. Think of all the jobs that will be put in jeopardy. All the effort to make this a better industry will be for nothing. I work really hard and this industry knows that, and takes really good care of me and my family. This industry goes out of their way to insure not only our guest are happy but their employees as-well. So i ask again, why does this city want to shut down our industry? Our company's health insurance will be terminated and our health would be in risk. How will I continue to provide for my wife and kid, where will we live if i'm not able to pay the rent. Without this industry i'm just another statistic in the homeless community. Please, don't shut down this industry.

Thank you for your time.

Antonio Campos



August 7, 2015

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Hi

My name is Blanca Ayala I been working in the short term rental industry for 5 yrs I am a mother of 4 teens and working in this industry helps pay my bill ,rent , support my kids keeps my family out of the welfare system I love working and doing what I do . Every guest I have met Love it the more of a home away from home feeling they get from our locations all the amenities we provide to them are always a plus for guest . Short term rental companies have opened 100s of jobs for 100s of people including myself and family .shutting short term rentals would leave all of us with out jobs we have families to support bills to pay this would also leave us with out no health insurance saving short term rentals from shutting down is saving 100s of families from ending job less .

Thank you,

Blanca Ayala

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To The City Council

Hi My name is David Castillo my contact number is 702)772-4883.I am employed with a short term rental company which is a company that cares about their workers. The company has helped my family with health insurance. This has been my first working company that takes its time to manage and care for their employees. Help us for many families wont be without a job/career.

Thank You

David Castillo

8/16/15

Doina Olteanu

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Los Angeles CA, 90012

I write to you today, in regards of our jobs in the short-term rental industry. I am an employee of this industry. My position is known as zone manager. In my position i'm in charge of ensuring everything goes according to plan. I keep the employees happy and help maintain a balance work schedule to distribute hours for the workers equally. Here in this industry we take care of employees as much as we take care of the guest. With a happy employee you will achieve outstanding work productivity. Does ensuring that our guest will come to a beautiful clean unit thats is beyond expectations. I like to make sure when we tell our guest about our luxury apartments that is luxurious as possible, and it all starts with us employees. We make sure our employees including myself are taking care of, starting with great company health insurance. Health insurance is very important me and my family, without it i'd be stacked with high medical bills. This industry does is best to help me out. Financially they keep me happy, i'm so grateful to be able to help provide for my family. This industry does so much for this city. I love the short term rental industry and I could just go on and on of how great it is. Lets not shut down this industry we get no benefits from doing that. We be destroying the careers and financial stability that I work so hard to build. I see no reason to shut down this industry, what good can come from it? You wouldn't be helping the city and you wouldn't be helping the economy.

Doina Olteanu

August 8, 2015

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Dear City Council,

Hello my name is Felipe Palomares I'm an employee at Stay City Rentals, The reason for this letter is to inform you of how much i need and love my job. The need comes from providing for my family and being the backbone that i been for them, the love comes from having the fortune to work somewhere that the routine is never the same, meeting wonderful guest from all over the world, helping guest stay in a reliable and safe place makes our company and I adore what we do. Please don't take this from us a lot of people including me and my family depend on this. Thanks

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Sincerely,

Felipe Palomares

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August 7, 2015

My name is Gisella Feliciano, I am a full-time university student and finance myself through school I am a Stay City Rentals employee and enjoy my job. I own my own car, and have car payments, I pay gas and I commute from work to school on a daily. Books are expensive, and will only get more expensive! I love interacting with guests and I depend on this job survive. My single mother is unemployed, pregnant and in bed rest. I NEED MY JOB, don't take it away.

Thank you,

Gisella Feliciano



August 7, 2015

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My name is Jennifer Lara I am a Stay City Rental employee we are a short term rental company, I would like give my opinion on this matter. I think it's unfair that people wanna shut down short term rentals simply because all of us housekeepers will be without a job. How will we feed our children it's wrong. I enjoy my job and my fellow co workers we are and work as a team. Please give us the opportunity to continue to work and earn our daily bread to provide for our families.

Thank you,

Jennifer Lara

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Los Angeles City Council

My name is Jorge Castillo my contact number is 818)612-6193. I am writing this letter regarding short term rentals and why it would be a terrible idea for this to shut down. I am a single father and my daughters depend on me . This establishment has made me grow as a person and a worker. They offer my family health benefits which is really important being a single father of two. Please keep in mind that were not only losing our jobs but we will be affected with not having health insurance.

Thank You

Jorge Castillo

Jorge Castillo

8/16/15

Dear Council,

I am a employee of a fantastic business known as short term rentals. I say this because the satisfaction and joy brought to tourist when they arrive to not only their new home but a whole new experience. In my time working, I have learned many life skills and was able to meet a wide sum of people from all over the world. I even keep contact with sum today. Ending such a business would be disastrous not only for the tourist who love to stay in a place that provides many amenities but also for the families who made this a career. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Joseph Serrano
(424) 273 0493



August 7, 2015

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

City Council,

hola mi nombre es karla guillen yo trabajo para stay city rentals soy housekeeping y mi familia depende de mi y de mi trabajo aqui estoy muy preocupada ya que es dificil encontrar trabajo nuevamente y concidero que hay muchas personas que les gusta mucho hospedarse aqui ya que no se sienten incomodas como en un hotel es un lugar agradable para familias que viajan con ninos asi que espero que reconcideren el mantener este lugar abierto siempre .

Karla Guillen

Karla Guillen

August 11, 2015

Office of the City Clerk
200 B. Spring St., Rm 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

My name is Maria Pena I am employed in a company for short term rentals. My phone number is 323-738-0526. I am writing this letter to the city council to oppose shutting down short term rentals. This job is a good company and has helped me with offering health insurance which is a blessing to me and my family i am the only person working now my husband is ritired . I hope city council can support us.

Thank You God Bless

Maria Pena

Maria Pena

August 10, 2015

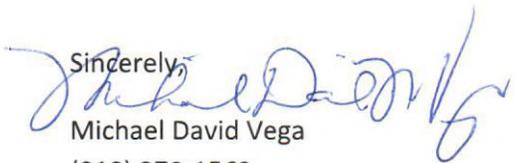
Dear Members of the City Council,

I write as an employee for a Short-term Business Company, this letter is to provide you my strong support to maintain and keep the Short-term Rental business in the City of Los Angeles. This is to emphasize how the business has been not only been supporting our livelihood and careers but also in sustaining the hospitality service of the tourism industry of the city.

Being employed in the short-term business has been a very exciting experience; we as a hospitality service do not only provide housing for travelers and tourist but also amenities that they can enjoy a home away from home. This type of business is an added service to the tourism industry where we give more options for our tourist to enjoy the city knowing they can stay at well maintained and secured properties that is available wherever they wish to travel. We have been very fortunate that the business has achieved a growing attention to our vast growing tourist from different countries around the world that we make sure to welcome and guarantee that they not only enjoy their stay but also experience the City of LA.

Our company has not only provided us with sustainable work for ourselves and our families but also provides us with health benefit options. Being able to be a part of a company that does not only benefit the tourism and hospitality industry but also help provides us locals with jobs and the opportunity to develop and use our skills has been very essential to the community. Looking forward, I would like to submit my support to help keep and maintain the short-term rental business in the City of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,


Michael David Vega

(818) 370-1562

August 8, 2015

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To the Members of Los Angeles City Council:

Hello my name is Roman Campos, I work for Stay City Rentals as a greet and meet agent for zone 1. Stay City rentals is a short-term rental industry that I love to work for. This job has been so great, I have learned so much form work here, My communication skills have rapidly majored from have some great guest in this job. Guest are so lovely and kind with us (Stay City). Since I've started working here I've never had no problem with a guest everything just comes out perfect. I would hate for this short-term rental industry to shut down, my family depends on me they always seen me as a hard working man. If I was to lose this career it won't just effective me but my family, community, and co-workers ass well. Co-workers relay in this career, my co-work try there best to help each other out to have everything on point. Stay City rental wants to be the best for everyone and believe that it will improve and be the best.

Sincerely,

Roman Campos
(323)539-0652

Roman Campos

August 7, 2015

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To our City Council

Hi my name is Rosa Barrientos my cell phone number is 323) 6315282 I am a current employee for a short term rentals company which I love , i enjoy working with guest and this is my career building job. I enjoy working for short term rentals I've work in customer service all my life this is what im great at . Please help short term rentals to keep moving forward in helping their employees to have a safe realiable job. This job is where i feel most comfortable and confident thanks to my job working for short term rental I help my family's needs it is my only source of income now, i do not have a secondary job because i give my 100% on this one. If short term rentals were to be taken out of business so many families would have to struggle to find a job and not only that , but where would we find a job that appreciates our work. This career building job has been my first job where they appreciate employees ,we have health benefits which helps my family alot when ill.

Rosa Barrientos

8/7/15


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August 7,2015

Hi,

My name is Sean and I work for the short term Rentals Industry and my thoughts and words I will be brief,bold,frank and to the point: It's quite a shame how you are attempting to put people out of work that have families, rent,bills,food to put on the table,and gas in the car. I myself am grateful to finally have a job I like,with a company I like,and workmates I like and for you to put that in jeopardy is truly a sad and selfish thing your trying to do. Please check your conscience and yes your heart as a human being. WE ALL DEARLY NEED OUR JOBS!!!! Sincerely Sean Oneill

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sean Oneill", written in a cursive style.

Sean Oneill

August 14, 2015

Dear City Council,

Short term rentals has been a great help to various people not only to myself. It opens up doors of opportunities that otherwise would not be available to the community such as a beach houses, rustic homes, and many different styles of housing. This business has given more than just comfortable living properties but also the satisfaction of being able to travel with ease along the City of LA.

It provides funds for my family and I to keep on. I love my job and everyday I go to work with a smile and come back home still having that smile.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Stephanie White
(323) 500-8023

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To Whom it may concern

I have worked in the short term rental industry for 5 years now, and the customers i have dealt with love the short term rentals, they are so much more than a hotel room. They have their privacy along with all the comforts of home. It would be a shame for the city council to put a end to the short term rentals. This would be putting 100's of hard working people out of work.

We do offer our employee's health insurance as well, It makes no sense why you would want to put a end to this.

Thank You
Suzie Francis

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Suzie Francis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

August 11, 2015

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City Council,

My name is Tavita Luna my phone number is 310) 9124303. I am writing to you in regards to short term rentals ,I am employed in a one of these company it will be terrible if i were to lose my job I have two children that depend on me only and this company has been very helpful. We have benefits of health insurance which is a blessing . Please help us keep short term rentals going I Love working with this company they know how to appreciate good employees.

Thank You for your time in reading this.

Tavita Luna

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August 8, 2015

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Dear City Council,

Its come to my attention that the city wants to shut down the short-term rental industry, I really hope they don't. This industry provides jobs to many people to help support their families and pay their way through different life situations. I, myself, am a single mother and a full-time college student. This company gives me an opportunity to work for my daughter, our life style and to pay for my education, not to mention to grow with the company as we try to expand. Our team gets very good reviews and have not had any problems with our guests whatsoever; we appreciate them as they appreciate us. Please reconsider your proposal.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Victoria Droin

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August 7, 2015

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Dear City Council,

I'm Victoria Jacobo, and am a Stay City Rentals employee. I love my job, work environment and immensely depend on my job. I am head household, with 5 mouths to feed. I commute to not only work, but my children s' doctors appointments and that requires gas- thus requires money. I enjoy interacting with the diversity of guests who come and stay with our company. I work to support my family and myself. Currently I am enabling my child the right to education and finance her in college. I NEED MY JOB! My company offers me health insurance and gives me great hours. Do not take that from me.

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Sincerely,

Victoria Jacobo

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Victoria Jacobo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "V" and a stylized "J".