



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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		The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:		
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
73.		Favor	Rebecca Ayala	
		Oppose	Joanne K Kouchi	<p>I greatly oppose this Short Term Rental Ordinance being adopted as it is written. It is clear that banning vacation rentals altogether will do nothing to help the housing crisis here in the unincorporated LA County. Vacation rentals are mostly high end rental properties which hosts have spent a lot of money and effort to rent to travelers that want don't want a hotel experience when vacationing. Many have children and pets and renting an entire private home suits their needs far more than a hotel.</p> <p>The people who are most in need of housing are those who seek low cost, affordable homes which are not available due to the failure of LA planners that failed to build affordable homes to keep up with the growing population. Now the burden of this is put onto small mom and pop property owners like myself an individual that loves their community and wants to be able to stay here and enjoy retirement by renting my modest home I worked so hard for. I understand the frustration of those unable to afford housing in this city we call home, but eliminating vacation rentals is not a solution. It will hurt those of us who depend on the income it generates along with all the local small business the visitors patronize. Allowing STR only in primary residents is not a solution either. While I am very pleased that it will be permitted, this is not ideal for many of us that do not have space or want to host people in their own homes. It is simply not comfortable for us that have children or aging parents, pets many other reasons that we do not want strangers in our own private homes. Families prefer renting a private vacation home and do not want a vacation spent in a stranger's home sharing common areas with their hosts. While this may be fine for some, in my opinion they will not switch to renting out rooms in someone's primary residence once this ordinance takes effect. Hotels with deep pockets realize this so of course so they are backing this ordinance all while encouraging their hotel housekeeping staff to also back this ordinance in the dismal hopes they will be able to afford living near their place of employment on their low wages once this ordinance is passed. I know my comment may not change the results of your votes but I need to hope that my opinion is stated and that may be someone may listen and see the value of my words. Thank you Board of Supervisors, for your commitment and service to our communities.</p> <p>Sincerely, Joanne Kouchi</p>
		Item Total	2	
Grand Total			2	

From: [ExecutiveOffice](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Subject: FW: Short-Term Rentals Ordinance. Sexist and ageist Tuesday, April 9, 2024
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From: Ellen Snortland <ellensnortland@icloud.com>
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Subject: Short-Term Rentals Ordinance. Sexist and ageist

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I have been working on a letter to express my heartbreak over the Short-Term Rentals ordinance you voted for unanimously. I haven't had the time I need to adequately express my despair as I'm waiting for some statistics from Airbnb.

I speak for many of us who depend upon STR for a mainstay of our income. To lump us on-site hosts with party-house off-site host houses is unconscionable, unfair and discriminatory.

The Short-term rental ordinance disproportionately impacts older people and women. Shame on you.

Airbnb is a main pillar of our "age at home" strategy, and now what?

I'm so disappointed in you, I am almost speechless, but not quite.

Sincerely,

Ellen Snortland

P.S. My county supervisor, Kathryn Barger and her staff, is the only office I feel heard by...