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Fri, Sep 17, 2021 at 7:54 AM

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From: Wendilyn Emrys &lt;info@email.actionnetwork.org&gt;

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Date: Mon, 13 Sep 2021 00:40:04 +0000 (UTC)

Subject: LA has an affordable housing crisis. Council Item Number 18-1246 would make it much worse.

Council President Nury Martinez,

We face evictions, homelessness, and rising rents. LA has an affordable housing crisis. The proposed Vacation Rental Ordinance would make it much worse by allowing the ultra-wealthy buy second homes and then list them as vacation rentals instead of housing. That would cost Los Angeles an estimated 14,740 housing units.

I urge you to reject the Vacation Rental Ordinance, Council File Number: 18-1246, which would allow second homes to be used as short-term rentals and listed on platforms like Airbnb and VRBO. We need more aggressive enforcement of the current home-sharing ordinance, not more loopholes that convert affordable housing into illegal hotels in our neighborhoods.

We also need to stop Hedge Funds and investment groups from buying up single home units and shutting normal people out of the housing market. We need to make these predatory buying practices illegal, as well as not allowing Foreign investment groups to buy up residential properties.

We need to stop the creation of high rise apartments (over three stories) and get back to single story small village type housing units, such as Los Angeles originally had. As well as tiny housing villages for the homeless. Not the cruddy ones currently being built, but nice ones as in Washington, or small monolithic done units.

Thank you

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Subject: How can the City say its fighting homelessness but give away 14,740 units of housing? OPPOSE Council Item Number: 18-1246

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson,

Councilmembers are considering a loophole to allow the ultra-wealthy buy second homes and then list them as vacation rentals instead of housing. That would cost Los Angeles an estimated 14,740 housing units. Thousands of housing units have already been lost to short-term rentals. It should be illegal to convert housing into a de-facto hotel. How can you say you are fighting homelessness but then give away thousands of units of housing to wealthy property owners?

I urge you to reject the Vacation Rental Ordinance, Council File Number: 18-1246, which would allow second homes to be used as short-term rentals and listed on platforms like Airbnb and VRBO. We need more aggressive enforcement of the current home-sharing ordinance, not more loopholes that convert affordable housing into illegal hotels in our neighborhoods.

Thank you

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Subject: Please OPPOSE Council Item Number 18-1246, VOTE NO on the Vacation Rental Ordinance

Hon. Dear CM Buscaino,

As residents across Los Angeles, we face evictions, homelessness, and rising rents. Our city has an affordable housing crisis. As a Mayoral Candidate, you have campaigned on housing the unhoused. Voting NO on the proposed Vacation Rental Ordinance is essential to doing just that. If passed, the Vacation Rental Ordinance would make our crisis much worse by allowing the ultra-wealthy to buy second homes and then list them as vacation rentals instead of housing. That would cost Los Angeles an estimated 14,740 housing units.

We urge you to reject the Vacation Rental Ordinance, Council File Number: 18-1246.

Thank you.

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Subject: Council Item File Number: 18-1246 OPPOSE

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson,

A 2019 report found that 7,289 units of housing around Los Angeles, much of it rent-stabilized or affordable housing, had been lost to short-term rentals. There are already too many illegal short-term rentals in our neighborhoods, making housing more expensive and displacing long-time residents. Please don't let short-term rentals crowd out affordable housing in our city.



I urge you to reject the Vacation Rental Ordinance, Council File Number: 18-1246, which would allow second homes to be used as short-term rentals and listed on platforms like Airbnb and VRBO. We need more aggressive enforcement of the current home-sharing ordinance, not more loopholes that convert affordable housing into illegal hotels in our neighborhoods.


Thank you.

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