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To: Councilwoman Lois Tarkanian

Subject: Party Houses -- Short Term Rentals. Your Bill 2017-16

Dear Councilwoman Tarkanian,

I am in receipt of your Bill to be submitted on 3 May, Bill No. 2017-16 as it applies to Short Term Rentals.

Please correct me if I am wrong but I have never seen in existing legislation or in your bill any structure that allows for neighborhood comment participation in an application for a Short Term Business License. Any mechanism that gives the neighborhood a legal platform to voice comment for/against any incursion by a home owner seeking to become a short term rental.

Our neighborhood association is opposed to all Short Term Rentals within our neighborhood as it is 'masked commercialization' and impacts on our home values and detracts from a neighborhood's goal for single family residences versus 3-5 bedroom motels.

Right now, we have two licensed Short Term Rentals in the Scotch Eighties. We also have another two homes advertising and operating illegally and City Code Enforcement is doing nothing about it. We have a new application on Oakey for a zoning waiver (the only way we would have known about this application) because it is within 660 feet of an existing licensed facility AND ADJACENT TO AN ILLEGAL OPERATION IMMEDIATELY NEXT DOOR. We have two other recent speculative home purchases for the exact purposes of becoming Short Term Rentals. This is an undermining disaster to home ownership in this City and city officials should be ashamed that it is out of control.

We are opposing this application on 9 May before Planning Commission and we would seek your support. There is, by our view, an effort to commercialize Oakey homes.

And we will oppose the City for its continued misuse of the Business Licences process to put 'motel living' within single family residential neighborhoods.

Very truly yours,

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