

May 12th, 2015

California State Senator Mike McGuire
1303 10th Street, Room 5064
Sacramento, CA, 95814

Coalition of Concerned Los Angeles Residents Supports Senate Bill 593

Dear Senator McGuire,

The members of **Keep Neighborhoods First**, would like to express our support for SB 593. We represent the hundreds of ordinary citizens across Los Angeles who have witnessed the negative impacts of short-term rentals firsthand. This legislation will help cities like ours understand and regulate short-term rentals in a way that protects the things we value about our communities.

We know through our members' troubling experiences that short-term rentals threaten the social fabric of our neighborhoods, our safety, and our quality of life. We also know through LAANE's research that they threaten the housing supply by removing whole units from the housing market. This depletion of housing in general and affordable housing in particular continues to accelerate at an alarming rate.

Short-term rental platforms' unwillingness to release information about the location and scope of their operations have thwarted California cities' attempts to regulate this new industry and protect people like our members from its side effects. With SB 593, cities will have access to the information they need to craft and implement regulations that serve *all* of their inhabitants.

Thank you for enabling cities to protect affordable housing, safety, and quality of life.

Sincerely,



Judith Goldman
Executive Director



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Director of Communications

