

Dear Committee Members,

This is a troubling time and it is important that, as a society, we take care of our own and collectively make every attempt to ensure the health and safety of all.

In the course of this it is also important that we not inflict harm on others in our endeavors.

I am a landlord. I have 2 rental houses that I have scrimped and saved to acquire with the intent of helping to provide for myself in the future. I make payments on them and depend on the rental income to assist with my payments. I am not a big, mega bad, conglomerate trying to squeeze the last dollar of rent possible from my tenants. Without the rental income I cannot make my payments. If I cannot make the payments I lose the houses and likely my tenants lose their homes.

I am not a big, mega bad, conglomerate trying to squeeze the last dollar of rent possible from my tenants. I work hard at my day job and have the same concerns about the security of my job due to the shut downs that are occurring due to Covid-19.

When considering relief for tenants please also consider the impact on small landlords like myself that will be devastated if rental income was to cease.

Regards and Be Safe,

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