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I support SB 611 because I have seen the ways the rent increases have contributed to the enormous housing crisis in our city and my neighborhood. I can no longer walk to work safely because so many individuals who are forced to live outside are experiencing mental health crises and addiction. The desperation that is caused by the sky rocketing cost of living has increased the crime across this city, and forced individuals to commit petty theft which leaves renters like me and my neighbors struggling to stay insured after thousands of dollars in broken car windows and stolen property. But get me wrong though, the real crime is wealthy property owning conglomerates who put their profits above the human rights of residents who deserve to be able to afford to live indoors.