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Neighborhood Planning & Development Committee  
414 E 12th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

RE: Short term rental ordinances 230267 & 230268

Dear Chair Barnes and Committee Members,

Please consider the following thoughts on the short term rentals:

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- The Neighborhoods Department fully and actively enforcing the codes that regulate Short-Term Rentals
- Requiring non-owner occupied STR Operators to have an active Kansas City, MO business license and a STR Permit
- Requiring the rental platforms (like AirBnd, VRBO and others) to require a permit number before allowing any properties to be listed on those sites to attract guests
- No more than 1-2 legal & permitted STR units per city block
- Requiring every STR unit to list a phone number for a local property owner representative who has been verified (through current drivers license, voter id card, utility bills, etc. same as listed in the owner-occupied section). If they are not responsive to complaint calls, we will report them to 311 for investigation.
- Revoking the permit for repeat violators (who have been found to be guilty of violating the ordinance and having multiple 311 complaints that have been substantiated). After 3 strikes, they are out (with an ability to appeal)
- Reject the use of STR housing for parties and events. We support a minimum of a 2 night rental (vs one night only) to eliminate local parties

I acknowledge the need for additional housing units in our city, and that visitors and local future guests want a variety of housing types to be made available in addition to hotels which may not be ideal for many. While we will have travelers from across the country and world visiting our city and not enough hotel rooms, many people want to stay in neighborhoods similar to their own vs commercial and industrial districts. This includes local citizens who may have the need to find temporary housing while they have major repairs on their homes, are moving because they have sold their home, or are building one close by, and may want to keep the kids in the same school in a residential neighborhood. We've heard of families traveling to visit people (even in hospitals) and it is cheaper to stay in a house together with a full kitchen where they can save money by cooking their

own meals. I support locally run and managed STR housing units when the codes are fully enforced.

Respectfully,  
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