From: <u>Tiffany Thompson</u>

To: Bough, Andrea; Fowler, Dan; Ellington, Brandon; Loar, Teresa; Barnes, Lee; Public Testimony

Cc: Shields, Katheryn; Bunch, Eric; Lucas, Quinton; Decker, Forest

 Subject:
 RE: STR Ordinances 230267 and 230268

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Dear Neighborhood Planning & Development Committee,

My family and I are residents of the Southmoreland neighborhood in Kanas City, renovating a historic home left vacant for twenty years. Short Term Rentals (STR) is a hot topic in our neighborhood. Many of us are in support of STR and many opposed.

I would like to lend a voice that welcomes these Short-Term Rentals and encourage the Planning Committee to consider the value these rentals bring to our community and ask that no additional restrictions be imposed or changes made to the current ordinances.

Travelers add to our neighborhood by staying in it. As an entrepreneur, I support the business endeavors that STR contribute to our neighborhood. Short-term renters bring business to our local establishments. It is important for us to continue to build the revenue streams that renters create for many families like mine who own restaurants or other local businesses near our neighborhood.

More restrictions on STR mean less renters from other places can stay in our community. Many in our neighborhood value engaging with renters from other places. They connect us to new experiences and opportunities while adding color and texture to our everyday experience of staying in place. We welcome them!

I believe we do not need to impose further restrictions on the creation of short-term rentals. I would like to encourage the committee to weigh this opinion when making a decision to further restrict these endeavors.

Sincerely,

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