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Sent:

Monday, June 2, 2025 11:18 AM

To:

Shaut, Andrea; Alderman bluinative66@yahoo.com

Cc: Subject:

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] Food Trucks/ Jeanne Edwards

Dear Andrea & Council Folks,

I was confused to hear that a longtime colleague of mine, Jeanne Edwards, was questioned about potential racial motivation for her proposal to move food truck locations in Midtown.

Andrea, honestly I know nothing about the food truck situation. Zero. I have no idea what's best. But I have known and worked with Jeanne for about 5 years. While we haven't always seen eye to eye on matters, I've never suspected any racially discriminatory motivation. Jeanne lives on the same street as the church I've pastored for 7 years. In that time I have found her to be fair-minded and at times, a relentless advocate for the Hispanic residents in our neighborhood. She has supported public events for the Latino community like the annual September street festival – which unknown to many often involved major donations of her time and her own money. She consults with non profit Kingston House of Culture of which I'm a Board Member. Again – extending countless hours and loyal love. Jeanne so often donates food and time to our hispanic community. My church sees and hears about it regularly. But most importantly, she offers them her respect and friendship. That's where the real blessing is.

I know the Council will make a good decision about the food trucks – whatever that will be. I just feel I had to speak up for Jeanne's track record with the Latino community. For everything I've seen, they love and respect her, and the feelings are sincerely mutual.

Warm regards, Rev. Joy MacVane

Rev. Dr. Joy Reed MacVane, Pastor she | her | hers One Hope Community at Clinton Ave United Methodist Church www.onehopekingston.org



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Sent:

Monday, June 2, 2025 1:48 PM

To: Cc: Alderman Tinti, Elisa

Subject:

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] Stony Run Resolution

Timothy and Mary Hilts Stony Run 305 Hurley Ave, Apt,15D Kingston, NY 12401

Dear Kingston City Council,

We have lived at Stony Run for over Nine yrs. We have received notice about ETPA from the city three years ago notifying us about a rent freeze. It's been 3 years without a lease. We have awarded from the State of New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, a 15% Rent Reduction, that was never received from our landlords.

Our landlord are now asking the State agency, DHCR, to exempt us from ETPA. Stony Run is not a charity. The act of exemption from the ETPA is corrupt. Please stand with us and vote YES on the resolution asking the DHCR to reject their Application for Exemption.

Yours truly

Timothy Hilts

Mary Hilts

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Tinti, Elisa

Subject:

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] Stony Run Resolution

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Mr.& Mrs. Joahua Winne Stony Run 305 Hurley Ave 8F Kingston, NY 12401

Dear Kingston Common Council,

We have lived at Stony Run for 7 years. In 2022, Stony Run tenants helped win a 15% rent reduction for ETPA units, due to the dramatic rent increases Kingston tenants have faced over the years. Because the rent reduction has been caught up in the courts, tenants are still paying the inflated rates they were being charged when Kingston first opted into rent stabilization.

In fact, many tenants are paying illegally high rents because of the "workforce housing" deal that our landlords, Aker, assumed created a loophole in the state law. This deal also allowed Aker to receive \$35 million from the federal government, which they seemingly used to buy other buildings instead of investing in this complex. Now, they are claiming that because they created a nonprofit to manage Stony Run, they are a charity.

In my experience, they can not be considered a charity because they DO NOT take care of this property, leaving many if not most of us, without greatly needed repairs. They run what can only be considered a "skeleton crew" for maintenance, and it's very apparent that they do not care about the safety, wellbeing or comfort of their tenants. They want to collect their (exorbitant) rental amounts, charge us ala carte for absolutely every service/amenity, and do little else in the way of anything positive. There is absolutely NOTHING charitable about how they run the complex, and they are very quick to begin the eviction process for even the slightest issue. They are thumbing their collective nose at the laws and regulations that are in place to protect those of us that are living here, and they must be held accountable.

Please stand with us and vote YES on the resolution asking DHCR to reject our landlord's Application for Exemption.

Yours truly, Joshua & Ryan Winne

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Monday, June 2, 2025 8:20 PM

To: Cc: Alderman Tinti, Elisa

Subject:

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] Stony Run Resolution

Dear Kingston City Council,

I have lived at Stony Run for 45 years. I have received a notice about ETPA from the City three years ago notifying me about a rent freeze. It's been 3 years without a lease. I have been awarded from the State of New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, a 15% Rent Reduction that was never received from the landlords.

The landlords are now asking the State Agency, DHCR, to exempt us from ETPA. Stony Run is not a charity.

The act of exemption from ETPA is corrupt. I have worked all my life at a steady job, 40 hours a week and pay my rent every month on time. How is this charity? No one pays my rent for me. I worked hard to pay it.

Please help the hard working tenants at Stony Run. Please stand with us and vote YES on the resolution asking DHCR to reject their Application for Exemption.

Thank you very much for your support in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Barbara Altomari

Apt 14B

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