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From: Patrick Pellicano <patrick.pellicano@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 11:39 AM
To: Tinti, Elisa; Worthington, Rita
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] In support of Good Cause Eviction

Good morning,

I would like to share my support for Good Cause Eviction legislation. I am a renter in Midtown Kingston and in addition to the horror stories around the country of people being kicked out of their apartments due to undue rent increases, I have personally had friends who were kicked out so that landlords could make more money off of incoming people from the city.

Renters have few protections to keep them housed, and wages have not risen with inflation for decades, so any increase in rents is already far beyond the means of most people working normal jobs. For the landlords in opposition to this legislation, there are already protections and money for landlords and their secondary incomes, and that's unfortunately the crux of it: the contention around this issue is truly about one person's profit over another person's living situation.

Mental health professionals rank moving as one of the most strenuous activities possible, if not the most, since it takes a toll emotionally, mentally and physically to coordinate moving. Add to that the pressure of an eviction scenario, and I honestly cannot imagine the strain that experience would sear into someone's mind. I thank my lucky stars everyday that I haven't had the same experience my friends who were priced out have, and thanking lucky stars is just about all I can do since renters still have no basic protections from greedy landlords.

Please support Good Cause Eviction and deny landlords the ability to evict people in the heartless pursuit of profit over people. Thank you!

All the best,
Pat Pellicano

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From: Deborah Mangrum-Price <deborah@deborahmangrumprice.com>
Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 11:59 AM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] Good Cause Eviction Laws Public Comment

Hello,

I just finished watching the video that was posted about the Good Cause Eviction Law to the Common Council's Laws and Rules Committee and to many of the public comments during that meeting. There were many good points made by various speakers. For my public comment, I would urge the Council to deeply consider that besides addressing the interests between tenants and landlords which are many as this is a housing rights issue vs a landlords' concern issue, I would like to address this as an overall cultural issue. I personally believe that all people have a right to affordable housing and to call a place of residence a home whether they rent it or not.

The threat of being displaced is a very real issue for many tenants and in the bigger picture, besides the trauma of being displaced, it also unravels community ties and cultural ties. I am an artist and traditionally know both with studios and living situations that many are displaced. Please consider what not having strong protections do to tenants and the culture at large.

Thank you,

Deborah Mangrum-Price

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