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Dear Mayor and City Council members:

As a person of faith and a social worker, I want to thank you for listening to the concerns of tenants and revising the Eviction Moratorium so there is a one-year instead of six-month period in which to pay back lapsed rent. As a social worker I see the trauma and devastation experienced by families and children on a regular basis due to unstable housing. This will help more tenants to stay in their homes and avoid eviction, which is a significant cause of homelessness. I recommend going further and adopting the language of LA County's amended Moratorium which includes a temporary rent freeze and allows tenants to "self-certify their inability to pay rent, and landlords must accept this as sufficient notice." Further strengthening of this moratorium may be necessary in the future if the economy worsens significantly, but for now the amended moratorium is a much needed improvement that will help tenants stay in their homes.

Thanks for supporting renters maintaining stable housing

Jennifer Kerr

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