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Dear Committee Members and Mayor Lucas:

I hope some middle ground can be found on the issue of the STRs. Both sides agree better regulation is needed. Harming non-resident owners by banning their STRs is not the answer. There may be a few "bad actors" but to harm the small business people who are responsibly running their businesses is, in my opinion, an overreach of power.

I generally support the draft Ordinances 230267 and 230268 to improve KCMO's Short Term Rental Regulations. I appreciate the City's efforts to close unlicensed STRs by making it illegal to advertise on STR Apps, increasing penalties, moving regulation to a department better suited for these efforts, and including a REASONABLE Density provision. I also appreciate the grandfathering of licensed STRs and I support adding new ones in a controlled manner as existing STRs cease operations.

I hope that you will look at the entire picture and provide a solution that will not harm non-owner operators of STRs in Kansas City by providing appropriate regulations and providing a determined number of STRs that these operators each COULD own. Bad experiences happen also w/ owner-occupied STRs. My only bad experience in the neighborhood was with an OWNER-occupied Airbnb two doors up from my property. There was "rolling gunfire" and a mailbox and two of my renters' parked cars got "shot up." I did not think because of this that ALL STRs should be banned. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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