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To the Neighborhood Planning and Development Committee:

I am writing in support of the above ordinances which should be considered tomorrow. The neighborhoods of Kansas City are one of the city's most valuable assets. Unfortunately, the rapid increase of Short Term Rentals (STRs) are changing the face and function of many neighborhoods. These STRs, often owned and managed by persons and LLCs with no ties to Kansas City, are intruding on the rights of residents to the safe enjoyment of their homes. STRs also impact local housing, reducing the number of housing units for sale. There are also safety concerns with unknown individuals having access to single or multi unit buildings.

It is my hope that the above Ordinances can be considered with the following criteria:

- Neighbor consent should continue to be required, although a reasonable compromise is disallowing non-resident STRs in R zoning and enacting density requirements.
- Quality of life protections, for both neighbors and guests, should continue to be required including the limits on the number of guests and prohibition of parties/events.
- Current permitted STRs should be required to re-register under Chapter 56 once their permit expires, and will be expected to comply with all requirements except the zoning and density requirement as long as the registrant or ownership does not change.
- The booking platforms must be required to remove any unregistered or deregistered STR.
- The Neighborhood Services Department must be committed to actively enforcing the Ordinance to address violations and shut down STRs that are illegally operating or failing to comply with the Ordinance.

Please consider support of the above ordinances which provide reasonable compromise that allows for sustainable growth while protecting the right of permanent residents.

Sincerely,

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