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Dear Mayor McDonnell, Council Members and City Manager,

Happy New Year and welcome to the new Mayor and City Council members!

My name is Sierra Lewitter, I grew up in Sonoma County and have been a renter here in Petaluma with my family for the past 7 years.

My family and I are lucky that we have a fairly secure rental situation directly from family but we probably wouldn't be able to be here if it weren't for that. However, I know that other families and renters here in Petaluma aren't as fortunate and live with the fear that their housing is in jeopardy knowing that the current renter protections are not permanent. I hope that you see the need for these protections to become permanent to ensure that the desire for profit by a few will not outweigh the well-being of many families.

So, I am writing to you all today regarding agenda item #13 to urge you to extend the Ordinance indefinitely until an amended ordinance takes effect, if amendments are found to be necessary. I am grateful to you for continuing to make this a priority as we start 2023.

Thank you,

Sierra Lewitter

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