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Dear Honorable Mayor McDonnell and Council members,

Again, I am contacting you to strongly urge the City Council to listen to and respect us; residents, taxpayers and friends of the Petaluma community, and put an end to the Residential Tenancy Ordinance. It has been very disappointing to have reached out to each council member and to have only one representative take the time to reply. Certainly not how I treated my constituents when an elected School Board Member in Petaluma.

This proposed ordinance will very possibly diminish rental property inventory as it will make it far more difficult to protect investments and more importantly potentially remove property from the market. However, if this ordinance is adopted I may just sell and wash my hands of the community I love, have lived in, and governed within for years. Is this your true goal, to have long term residents pack up and leave? Terribly shortsighted and antithetical to the welcoming embrace of just a few years ago.

As a landlord who has consistently provided well maintained my unit and rented below market value, I have worked closely with my tenants to always meet their needs. The notion that 'mom and pop' landlords need new, stricter rental housing regulations is beyond comprehension and simply wrong. More importantly the proposed regulations make it harder (nearly impossible) than reasonably acceptable to return to our homes when time spent living and working away has ended. We do not need to add layers of regulations and bureaucracy to California's existing Tenant Protection Act (AB 1482). Your proposal only causes further confusion and harm to all members of the community. What's more, I can see a very real possibility that rental unit inventory will be diminished by people opting to not rent rather than contend with these rather draconian regulations. I certainly would NEVER choose to rent within this proposed environment if I had to do it again.

Am I hoping against hope that council members listen to the very real concerns expressed by us, their constituents, and opt not to further the housing shortage by enacting draconian restrictive ordinances on single rental landlords.

Sincerely,

Camille Sauvé

Sent from my iPhone