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Agenda item (number and title): Item No. 5 Regulating Short-Term Rentals

Service inquiry: Submit Comments in writing
Participation preference: N/A
Comments in writing: Dear Executive Policy Committee,

My partner and I recently moved out of the Glasshouse where we were tenants for almost 5 years.
We enjoyed living and working downtown but unfortunately ended up moving to the suburbs due to the major issues taking place downtown. We had initially moved into the Glasshouse for its central location, nice amenities, and first and foremost to feel part of a community.
We had even looked into purchasing our own condo in the building but quickly refrained from doing so due to all issues related to short-term rentals within the property.

Within our time in the building, we noticed an increasing number of short-term rentals - including 4 on our floor (out of 10 units on the floor) We quickly became concerned for our safety and inconvenienced due to issues related to theft, violence (including guns), drugs, gangs, human trafficking, and partying.

Here is a list of regulations we believe should be implemented:
. The number of short-term rentals within a residential building should be restricted to a certain quota to prevent properties from turning into ghost hotels.
. There should be criminal background checks on hosts of short-term rentals.
. Requirement for any host to get a STR licence (this is done in France for example).
. Accommodation tax just like hotels have.
. All rented units should include a monitoring system for sound level.
. Fine imposed on guests who pull fire alarms and waste city resources.

Thank you for your time.
Sincerely,