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Subject: Protect short-term rentals in Winnipeg

Hi,

I have hosted guests in my airbnb suite for almost two years and there has been no issues in the residential unit where my airbnb is located. I host guests by providing them with a comfortable place to stay when they are on a business trip or personal trip to Winnipeg. The guests have so far had very positive comments about my airbnb unit, and the neighbourhood as well. Hosting guests has benefited me as I get to meet and interact with people from different walks of life and get to share some precious moments of meeting them. To the community, this business has been beneficial as it attracts tourists, could be personal or medical-related to the city and investments as well, as people come to work and would require a place to stay during the period especially close to their work place.
As an host, I am appealling for a balanced and fair approach to the regulatory changes on short-term rentals. As a business owner, I have been mindful and considerate of the neighbours. As part of my operating policy, no house party is allowed, no noise is allowed, no smoking within the unit, no loitering around and so far guests have not violated this requirement to stay at my unit. I have ensured to let guests know that they have to be considerate of the neighbours which they have understandably done. I have not had any issues with my neighbours and guests have had a very comfortable and peaceful stay at my place. I suggest that rather than putting a limit to the number of hosting nights per year, hosts should be directed to take measures that will eliminate noise or disturbance to the neighbours such as no house party allowed, no noise allowed. This way it is fair to all hosts and those of us who have been compliant and considerate to our neighbours will not be penalised for other people's actions.

Sincerely,
Ola Ade