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From: Connie Lee

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To: Mayor

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## Hello Mayor Mike Hurley,

I am a responsible Burnaby citizen. In the past, I have hosted my primary residence out to make ends meet when I lost my job. As someone who has hosted through Airbnb, I don't oppose regulation but the proposal coming before council goes too far. The draft by-law that restricts primary residence home-sharing to 90 nights (or 28 nights for whole home rentals) would not have allowed me to recover and stand on my own two feet. It takes much longer than a year for jobs to come back after an economic recession. And often times after a job loss, there are emotional repercussions to work thru. I strongly urge Burnaby City council to put in caveats to ascertain individual primary homeowner needs. No other municipality in Canada has restrictions as strict as what is being considered in Burnaby.

While the COVID pandemic has obviously restricted travel, it will return, and when it does, I would like the ability to participate in this new economy. It's important to my family and to my ability to earn the income during difficult times.

I urge you to amend the 28 whole nights clause in this bylaw and start again by consulting with hosts to develop a plan that works for everyone in Burnaby.

Thank you, Connie Lee

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From: Krista Rosati

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Hello Mayor Mike Hurley,

I'm a responsible Burnaby Airbnb host. On January 26th City Council will consider new regulations on short-term rentals. As a host, I don't oppose registration and regulation but the proposal coming before council goes too far. The draft by-law will limit my ability to make ends meet in restricting even my primary residence home-sharing to 90 nights (or 28 nights for whole home rentals). No other municipality in Canada has restrictions as strict as what is being considered in Burnaby.

When the pandemic threat has lessened and businesses and restaurants return to normal operation, they will still be struggling. The draft bylaw will only make a bad situation worse for so many small businesses in Burnaby.

While the COVID pandemic has obviously restricted travel, it will return, and when it does, I would like to be able to participate in this new economy. It's important to my family and to my ability to earn the income I need in these difficult times.

I urge you to defeat this bylaw and start again by consulting with hosts to develop a plan that works for everyone in Burnaby.

Thank you, Krista Rosati