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## **ANDERSON SAYS EVICTION MORATORIUM HARMS SMALL LAND-LORDS AND RENTERS**

### **30 Local Elected Officials Sign Letter in Opposition**

(SAN DIEGO) – Supervisor Joel Anderson held a joint press conference yesterday with other local elected officials and San Diego citizens opposing the proposed eviction and rent moratorium ordinance being offered at the Board of Supervisors’ meeting today.

“This moratorium ordinance is not only unfair, but also completely unnecessary,” said Anderson. “Our local cities were been given no notice on this restrictive measure, lacking the transparency we should have at local government. This measure harms ‘Mom and Pop’ landlords who are dependent upon rent revenue to pay their mortgages and retirement, forcing some into very uncomfortable, even hostile, situations with uncooperative tenants. Finally, this ordinance is not even necessary, as San Diego County has almost \$80 million unspent rent relief funds”

Joining Anderson were elected officials Mayor Richard Bailey of Coronado, Mayor Bill Wells of El Cajon, and City Councilman Steve Goble of El Cajon. Also participating were Ayesha Anand and Paul Kruger, both considered small landlords.



Mayors Bailey and Wells highlighted how none of the 18 cities of San Diego County were notified of this “power grab,” how the ordinance disenfranchises voters in these cities, that it abuses local authority, and how it also creates an enforcement problem by focusing local resources on community residents as opposed to fighting real criminal activity.

### **Limits Ability to Deal with Abusive Tenants**

Particularly moving was Ayesha Anand’s story of having a tenant living in her home who had become physically and verbally aggressive towards her and her dog and demonstrated a complete disregard for her personal property. While a sublessor, the current law classifies her as a small landlord and fully subject to the proposed ordinance.



“If passed, this ordinance would unjustly take away the rights of homeowners to their own property,” said Anand. “County Supervisors supporting this ordinance for forcing people, like me, into a situation where they must continue living in their own home with someone who puts their safety at risk daily.”

At the press conference, Anderson also announced [a letter signed by over 30 local officials](#) to Chair Fletcher and the members of the Board opposing the County’s proposed eviction moratorium on the basis that it violates the fundamental principle of local control.

### **Ordinance Could Prevent Seniors from Moving back Into Their Own Homes**

Anderson’s office was contacted by one San Diego County resident, Dorothy McCorkel, who is outspokenly opposed to the ordinance. McCorkel is turning 92 years old this year and would like to move into her much smaller house that is currently being rented out. Although she has owned the property and has paid taxes on it for more than 20 years, she is worried she will not be able to evict her tenants and move into the house, which is closer to her hospital than where she is currently living. “It’s unfair to seniors. The house is in a senior community, which is why I bought it. Now it’s my turn to live there,” shared McCorkel.

The County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to hear and discuss the proposed eviction and rent moratorium at its meeting today, Agenda Item #26.

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