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Dear Council Members,

Tomorrow you are being asked to extend the moratorium as it stands for an additional six months. We ask, to what purpose?

We read with interest the report by Sophia Cassam and Yancy Bagby detailing the work that is being done to enact the 2018 vacation rental regulations.

They determined that the number of permits existing prior to 2018 was significantly lower than previously believed and stated. This was due to bad data including B&B permits, duplicate permits, already abandoned permits, superseded permits and other land use permits not related to vacation rentals. In addition, there has been some amount of voluntary abandonment since 2018.

We won't restate all of the report, but it is clear that the 2018 regulations are now having their desired effect and in 2022 a solid baseline of vacation rental permits will be established.

We ask that you vote to end the moratorium and revisit the Planning Commission's recommendation once the enforcement activities are complete. Do not take this as endorsement of their recommendations, which in our opinion are nothing more than a moratorium masquerading as a cap; until a real baseline is established, you cannot reasonably consider any cap.

With regards,

Bob Frangooles and Anne Pace

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