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Subject: Strong opposition to short-term rentals (STRs) in our neighborhood.
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My name is **Delia Morales**. I live in Starlite Estates at **12721 Carinthia Drive 90601**, I am writing to express my strong opposition to short-term rentals (STRs) in our neighborhood.

I want this letter recorded and the reason I sent it.

Currently, there are several STRs in the area, and they have already caused significant safety and nuisance issues, including traffic congestion, noise disturbances, and a heightened risk of fire due to our location in the hillside.

The LA County Fire Department notifies me when they want me to clean our back slope. I pay thousands of dollars on cleaning the slope and paying for fire insurance which continues to increase.

It is bad enough having the Hellman Trail that attracts non-Whittier residents who do not care and respect our neighborhood.

We have had vandalism and mail theft. I make sure nothing of value is mailed to our home. Not long ago, my camera took a picture of a man parking on my side of the street (north side) looking in my mail box at 2 am.

Our neighborhood is not designed to accommodate the influx of temporary guests who are unfamiliar with the dangers of the area, such as the ban on fireworks and the risk of wildfires from smoking outside. STRs in Starlite Estates are a threat to the safety and quality of life of our community.

I purchased our home in 2020 because of the peaceful, safety and the beautiful neighborhood for my son and I.

We do not want to live in an area with motels.

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I urge you to ban STRs in our hillside residential neighborhood. If the City Council does not ban them, then I request that you limit them strictly to "*primary residence only*" STRs with strong enforcement to ensure compliance.

I also oppose any "grandfathering in" of current STRs, as this will only continue to harm and destroy our community. No exceptions should be made for anyone.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

A Whittier constituent and tax payer.

signed Delia O. Morales

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