

## Communication from Public

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**Date Submitted:** 09/16/2024 12:45 PM

**Council File No:** 14-0268-S18

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am urging all Council members today to vote YES and pass TAHO as amended by the Housing and Homeless Committee. The current TAHO is weak and unenforceable. Furthermore, the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance must include key provisions such as: ensuring landlords are fined when they are found in violation of the ordinance instituting triple damages when landlords willfully engage in harassment and must include remedies for tenants such as emotional damages Without consequences for harassment, landlords will continue to ignore TAHO.

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**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 09/17/2024 08:56 AM

**Council File No:** 14-0268-S18

**Comments for Public Posting:** (Agenda Item 5) Dear Council Members, My name is Danielle Krant, and I am a resident of Council District 10. I am writing to express my concerns regarding agenda item number 5 and to provide general comments on the proposed Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance (TAHO), as amended by the Housing and Homelessness Committee. I strongly urge all Council members to vote **\*\*NO\*\*** on these amendments. The current version of TAHO is enforceable as it stands. **\*\*But should the Council decide to make changes, it is essential that the ordinance include consequences for false accusations made by tenants.\*\*** The claim of 13,000 complaints of harassment needs further analysis. Specifically, I urge the Council to consider: - **\*\*How many of these complaints were deemed not to be harassment?\*\*\*** - **\*\*How many complaints were filed by multiple individuals living in a single unit, thus inflating the overall number?\*\*\*** For example, what could have been one complaint may be counted as several due to multiple tenants living in a single residence. This significantly inflates the figures under the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO), which could be misleading. As a landlord, I have experienced this issue firsthand. I own a unit with two tenants, and every time I check on my property, the tenants file harassment complaints, even when I have no direct interaction with them. They have cameras set up and file complaints based solely on my presence. Despite repeated advisement to the tenants that I only need to give 24 hours' notice to enter the unit—not to check on the property—these frivolous calls continue. These are the types of complaints that are contributing to the 13,000 figure cited by the RSO. **\*\*I propose that the vote be postponed for 30 days so that the City Council members can thoroughly review the 13,000 complaints and assess whether this number is accurate before any action is taken.\*\*** Additionally, I suggest the following amendments be made to TAHO to ensure fairness and prevent abuse of the system: 1. **\*\*Tenants should face penalties when found guilty of making false accusations against landlords.\*\*** 2. **\*\*Multiple accusations from individuals in the same unit should not be allowed to artificially inflate the complaint count.\*\*** Without consequences for tenants who make false or multiple accusations, landlords will continue to face unjust harassment complaints, and the integrity of TAHO will be undermined. Thank

you for your time and consideration. I trust that the Council will take these concerns into account before making a decision.  
Sincerely, Danielle Krant Resident, Council District 10

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Karen

**Date Submitted:** 09/17/2024 10:20 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi, my name is Karen I am commenting on agenda item number 5 and general comment. I live in Council District number 9. I am urging all Council members today to vote YES and pass TAHO as amended by the Housing and Homeless Committee. The current TAHO is weak and unenforceable. Furthermore, the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance must include key provisions such as: ensuring landlords are fined when they are found in violation of the ordinance, instituting triple damages when landlords willfully engage in harassment, and must include remedies for tenants such as emotional damages. Without consequences for harassment, landlords will continue to ignore TAHO. This shouldn't affect mom & pop landlords if they are also following the law.