

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a 88 year old widow in poor health. My husband was a city worker for 40 years. For 45 years, I worked two jobs as a nurse. I worked weekends and nights, sometimes, seven days a week. We lived frugal lives. I was unable to have children. We scrimped and saved enough money to buy a duplex that I currently live in. My tenant is a husband and wife with children and a dog. They decorated their apartment nicely and drive nice cars. Both of them have full time jobs and go to work every day. However, for the sixteen months they have refused to pay me rent. I do not bother them for rent as I spoke to an attorney who advised me there is nothing I can do to either get paid or evict them. I was told that landlords who tried to evict were successfully sued by their tenants. Now those same landlords are either paying their tenants damages or lost their property while the tenants live rent free. I do not understand the justice in that. I am unable to take care of myself. For years I had a care giver help me go to the bathroom and bathe. She would do my grocery shopping and help me cook with my meals. Sadly, I had to let her go 3 months as I have depleted my savings. I have no one to help me. I do not have money to pay the utilities, taxes and insurance on my building. I was not able to pay my property taxes this year. Despite the laws that were passed to supposedly help people like me who cannot afford to pay utilities, I have received default notices from everyone from the city to my insurance company. I extremely distraught that I will lose my home. This temporary eviction moratorium has been in effect for over 2 years. I watch the city council meeting where time and time again, the city council voted to extend the temporary eviction moratorium without concern for the harm they are causing people like me. During World War 2, countless of selfless American died in battle to fight communism and fascism. It brings me to tears to think that they all died in vain as it is obvious that many of the city council members have the same heartless destructive values and policies as the Nazis and communists that have driven their countries into ruins. I beg you people to have a heart for people like me and put an end to "Temporary Eviction Moratorium." Thank you. Ann M.