From: Jonathan Singh Sent: Monday, April 20, 2020 10:36 PM To: \*DL\_City\_Council <DL\_City\_Council@emeryville.org> Cc: Sheri Hartz <shartz@emeryville.org> Subject: [External] 4/21/2020 Meeting - In Support of Item 12.1, Eviction Moratorium

Dear Mayor Patz and Councilmembers,

I strongly support the adoption of Item 12.1, the two companion ordinances strengthening Emeryville's moratorium on evictions. We need to strengthen protections against evictions and we must do so immediately.

I am a renter and a resident of Emeryville. Although I am fortunate to be employed during the COVID-19 Pandemic, many of my neighbors are not. It is essential that we protect the right to shelter during this public health crisis. Landlords should be held to a high standard when terminating a tenancy, not just non-payment of rent. This is especially true when so many people are prevented from working to stop the spread of the novel coronavirus. We need to ensure that our most vulnerable populations such as seniors and low-income workers are not forced to leave their homes during this crisis.

Please adopt both ordinances within Item 12.1 to immediately strengthen tenant protections in Emeryville.

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