

The City of Charleston ,

483 people have signed a petition on Action Network telling you to Petition Requesting the City Retain Existing Prohibitions on Short-Term Rentals and Enhance Enforcement.

Here is the petition they signed:

The undersigned residents of the City of Charleston petition the City (1) not to change the present City zoning laws generally prohibiting short-term rentals and (2) to better enforce its existing laws to stop illegal short-term rentals.

You can view each petition signer and the comments they left you below.

Thank you,

Charlestowne Neighborhood Association

1. Jack & Annelise Simmons (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Please make a distinction between STRs such as VRBO & Air B&B and legal B&Bs. There are many long-time Charlestonians who depend on the B&B income to help offset the increased taxes and insurance on our historic homes. Many of us have been good stewards to our homes and wish to remain there. Please be aware that our B&B guests are always respectful and often better behaved than many family children and their friends and attendant parties. B&B guests cause less automobile pressure than families where each child had a car! True B&B owners live in their homes and thus will not allow unruly behavior.

2. Alice Wyatt (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Totally against short-term rentals.

3. Alec Taylor (*ZIP code: 29401*)

4. Louie Abidi (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Thanks.

5. Adelaida Bennett (*ZIP code: 29401*)

6. Adrienne Eischeid (*ZIP code: 29401*)

7. Anne Bergan (*ZIP code: 29401*)

8. Grey Duke (*ZIP code: 29403*)

9. Janet Hopkins (ZIP code: 29401)

We have had neighbors thru the years operate illegal airbnb's next door, always telling us they are having friends and family visiting . We have had loud college kids have loud all night parties and leave their garbage over our gate. They are on vacation and do not care. Single family zoning should be honored for the safety and quality of life it helps insure for homeowners. Having strangers come and go creates a non-neighborhood and benefits only the pockets of the air bnb owners. Please don't change our neighborhood by allowing short term rentals in Charleston.

10. Alexander Horan (ZIP code: 29401)

11. Charlestown Neighborhood Association (ZIP code: 29402-0548)

12. Alice Skorke (ZIP code: 29401)

13. Alice Whitesides (ZIP code: 29401)

14. Allan Anderson (ZIP code: 29401)

15. Eleanor Hale (ZIP code: 29401)

16. Allyson Kirkpatrick-Clark (ZIP code: 29401)

17. Amy Bradley (ZIP code: 29412)

18. Andrew Cooley (ZIP code: 29401)

19. Anette McAbee (ZIP code: 29401)

20. Anne Semmes (ZIP code: 29401)

21. Anne Blessing (ZIP code: 29401)

22. Anne Barnes (ZIP code: 29401)

Anne Barnes

I believe that short term rentals should not be allowed in the entire historic district.

23. Anne Keigher (ZIP code: 29401)

Pleased to support that the short term rentals must remain to be prohibited And enforced enhasment is equally vital as there are already people violating the law without any regard for laws or the value of the protection of our strong neighborhood associations

24. Anne Saunders (ZIP code: 29401)

25. Ann Merck (ZIP code: 29;01)

26. Ann Mintz (*ZIP code: 29401*)

27. Anne Tibbals (*ZIP code: 29401*)

28. Anne Pope (*ZIP code: 29401*)

29. Alex Ramsay jr (*ZIP code: 29407*)

30. Albert III Simons (*ZIP code: 29401*)

My family has owned 8 South Battery for over 100 years, and I have owned it for over 25 years. While I work in New York, I have paid a heavy price in taxes and maintenance so that I can enjoy Charleston for a few weeks a year with the intention of retiring there in a couple of years. The changes in Charleston are ruining the quality of life for the residents. The proliferation of carriages, cars and pedestrians both on the sidewalks and in the streets make moving around a nightmare. The departures of businesses like grocery stores, hardware stores and dry cleaners which cater to the City residents and their replacement by more restaurants, trinket stores and bars catering to the tourists have had a huge negative impact on the quality of life for residents. However, I believe the problems the residents have now will pale in comparison the problems we will have as a result of the explosion in short term rentals in the most historic parts of the City.

31. Avery Buchholz (*ZIP code: 29412*)

32. Aziel Bradley (*ZIP code: 29403*)

33. Willaim Allen (*ZIP code: 29401*)

34. Barbara Gardner (*ZIP code: 29401*)

It's imperative that we prohibit short term rentals and that we don't become another Disneyland.

35. Barbara Zimmerman (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I strongly support that the city retain existing prohibitions on short term rentals and enhance better enforcement of existing laws to stop illegal short term rentals.

36. Blaire Bresnan (*ZIP code: 29455*)

37. Blanche Brumley (*ZIP code: 29401*)

38. BOYKIN ROSE (*ZIP code: 29401-2743*)

39. Elizabeth Dixon (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Charleston desperately needs to vigorously enforce the prohibition of illegal short term rentals.

40. Beatrice Bernier (*ZIP code: 39401*)

41. Benjamin Lenhardt, Jr. (ZIP code: 29401)

Absolutely agree with petition.

Ben Lenhardt

42. Edward Bennett (ZIP code: 29401)

43. Mary Agnes Hood (ZIP code: 20401)

44. Beth Dixon (ZIP code: 29401)

I agree with the petition.

45. Beth Price (ZIP code: 29401)

46. Betty F Breedlove (ZIP code: 29401)

I believe short-term rentals in the Charlestowne Neighborhood are undesirable for the reasons stated in this petition.

47. Bonnie Gilbreth (ZIP code: 29401)

I strongly oppose short term rentals. This is a residential neighborhood NOT commercial. Most often this it is left up to immediate surrounding neighbors to make calls about noise, trash, parking, parties etc. as the owners aren't nearby. Slowly our 'neighborhood' feel is being eroded away!

48. Blanche George (ZIP code: 29401)

49. BARCLAY MCFADDEN (ZIP code: 29401)

50. elizabeth slagsvol (ZIP code: 29401)

51. Brian and Cheryl Starer (ZIP code: 10011)

Charleston is already under siege with the hotels being built. The neighborhoods do not need to be stressed by short term rentals.

52. Charlotte Caldwell (ZIP code: 29401)

Please don't erode our livability and quality of life anymore!

53. Cindy Hartley (ZIP code: 29401)

I am against changing zoning laws related to short term rentals. Furthermore, I urge the city to enforce existing restrictions related to short term rentals in the historic neighborhoods of Charleston.

54. Syd Shuler (ZIP code: 29401)

I do not want short term rental in my neighborhood!
Our neighborhood was not designed for it.

55. Mary Lynn & Herman Speissegger (ZIP code: 29401)

56. Cara Erickson (ZIP code: 29401)

57. Sandra Korn (ZIP code: 29401)

58. carol curtis (ZIP code: 29401)

59. Caroline Vohr (ZIP code: 29401)

60. Carol Jackson (ZIP code: 29412)

61. Carol Kelly (ZIP code: 29401)

The City of Charleston is betraying its longtime residents by allowing illegal rentals and entertaining the idea of loosening restrictions. We bought our home 25 years ago with the expectation that we were moving into a residential neighborhood, not a commercial district.

62. Casey Anderson (ZIP code: 29403)

63. Cate Leatherman (ZIP code: 29401)

64. Cator Sparks (ZIP code: 29403)

65. Frances Geer (ZIP code: 29401)

66. Cynthia & Charles Corley (ZIP code: 29401)

We agree wholeheartedly with #s 1 & 2 in this Petition! Please raise the penalty to an amount that will make a difference.

67. Cathy Gregorie (ZIP code: 29401)

Short term rentals are a disaster for our community.

68. Claire Garnett (ZIP code: 29401)

69. Charles Seaman (ZIP code: 29401)

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70. Henry Greer (ZIP code: 29401)

71. Douglas Friedman (ZIP code: 29401)

72. Christe McCoy-Lawrence (ZIP code: 29059)

73. Connie Wyrick (ZIP code: 29401)

74. Cindy Lenhardt (ZIP code: 29401)

Agree with petition

Cindy Lenhardt

75. Richard Nemes (ZIP code: 29401)

76. Claire McCunniff (ZIP code: 29401)

I STRONGLY support this petition. Charleston's neighborhood charm remains a national treasure, yet is under siege. We MUST protect and preserve its character for residents and visitors alike.

77. Carolyn Gabriel (ZIP code: 29401)

78. Colby Broadwater (ZIP code: 29401)

79. Colleen mooney (ZIP code: 29401)

80. Carol Pelzer (ZIP code: 29401)

81. Carrie Steinmeyer (ZIP code: 29403)

82. Quentin Jackson (ZIP code: 29401)

83. clements ripley (ZIP code: 29401)

84. Christina Sharon (ZIP code: 29401)

85. Christopher Skorke (ZIP code: 29401)

Any significant relaxation on short term rental restrictions would be negative for my neighborhood, my family and me.

86. charles sullivan (ZIP code: 29401)

Please enforce the current laws before the historic district becomes an empty shell with no "owner occupation".

87. Carrie Agnew (ZIP code: 29401)

We must start enforcing existing laws and regulations....and bring Charleston into the 21st century while we do so!

The city appears to ignore the innumerable ways in which it's historic integrity is being challenged--at a time where the status of #1 tourist destination makes it that much more important. Save the Golden Goose and her irreplaceable eggs!!

88. cynthia lowery (ZIP code: 29401)

89. David Breedlove (*ZIP code: 29401*)

90. Chrystine Zweibel (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I strongly object to changing the zoning laws to allow short term rentals.

91. Deborah Kennedy (*ZIP code: 29401*)

92. Debra Shuman (*ZIP code: 29401*)

93. Denise Mansheim (*ZIP code: 29401*)

94. Dennis Dubois (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Please retain the prohibition on short term rentals with significant fines for non compliance

95. Dennis Ryan (*ZIP code: 29401*)

96. Derek Riggs (*ZIP code: 29401*)

97. Dulari Smith (*ZIP code: 29401*)

98. Diana Goff (*ZIP code: 29401*)

99. Richard keigher (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Thank you all for this petition and all of the efforts of CNA.

100. DeborahC Jenkins (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Control of unlicensed rentals is important to our property values and our quality of life here in Charleston.

101. Douglas Lee (*ZIP code: 29401*)

102. Buddy Morgan (*ZIP code: 26401*)

103. David McCormack (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Please do not loosen the current prohibitions. Please enforce the prohibitions vigorously.

104. Debbie Nuttall (*ZIP code: 29401*)

105. Christina Dodd (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I oppose all forms of short term rentals in residential downtown Charleston.

106. Donald McCunniff (*ZIP code: 29401*)

107. RICHARD DONOHOE (*ZIP code: 29401*)

108. Doug Hinson (*ZIP code: 29401*)

109. David Doub (*ZIP code: 29401*)

110. Laura Russell (*ZIP code: 29414*)

111. Barbara Duval (*ZIP code: 29401*)

112. Dennis Ward (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I have actually stayed in short-term rentals, and while they are usually of benefit for both homeowners and renters, they do not take into account the negative impact that they have on neighbors and neighborhoods. Noise, congestion, obnoxious inconsiderations, imposition requests of assistance or company, damage to adjacent property are but a few of the side affects that those in favor of short-term rentals refuse to acknowledge.

113. Ernest Lipscomb (*ZIP code: 29401*)

114. Elizabeth Ravenel (*ZIP code: 29401*)

115. Elizabeth Luzuriaga (*ZIP code: 29401*)

116. Eliza Edmunds Cleveland (*ZIP code: 29401*)

117. Edward Gilbreth (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Our neighborhoods, not theirs.

118. Emmie Hershey (*ZIP code: 29401*)

119. Elizabeth Dawson (*ZIP code: 29401*)

120. Elizabeth Warren (*ZIP code: 29451*)

121. Ellen Boyle (*ZIP code: 29401*)

122. Dan and Ellen Kiser (*ZIP code: 29401*)

123. Elizabeth Lewine (*ZIP code: 29401*)

124. Elise Detterbeck (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I strongly support this petition!

Please do not allow this issue to ruin our neighborhoods. Charleston is a unique place--we want to keep it that way.

125. Elizabeth Fort (ZIP code: 29401)

As a downtown resident I am extremely concerned about short term rentals and the dangerous effect they will have on our neighborhoods. I stand with CNA and hope that the city will choose to enforce the rules that are already in place.

126. ellen harley (ZIP code: 29401)

We oppose Short-Term Rentals. Bad for the City. Bad for residents.

127. Eugene Massamillo (ZIP code: 29401)

128. Emily Rothweiler (ZIP code: 29401)

129. Marlene Quattlebaum (ZIP code: 29401-1835)

130. Edward Pritchard (ZIP code: 29401)

I strongly support a ban on all short term rentals - those for a period of less than 30 days - on peninsular Charleston.

131. Edward R. Moore (ZIP code: 29401)

132. Everett Smith (ZIP code: 29401)

133. MOLLY Hope (ZIP code: 29401)

134. Emily Ramsay (ZIP code: 29407)

135. Elizabeth Vardell (ZIP code: 29401)

136. Elizabeth Settle (ZIP code: 29401)

This is a severe threat to the fabric of the downtown community.

137. Farley Clark (ZIP code: 29401)

138. Felix Pelzer (ZIP code: 29401)

139. Rick Reed (ZIP code: 29401)

140. Walter Fiederowicz (ZIP code: 29401)

I am opposed to changing the City's zoning laws prohibiting short-term rentals and favor vigorous enforcement of existing laws.

141. Ferris Joyner (ZIP code: 29401)

142. Thomas Haythe (ZIP code: 29401)

143. Frank Brumley (ZIP code: 29401)

This situation has to be controlled...f not,it will destroy the quality of life on the peninsula....Frank Brumley

144. Dawn McCoy (ZIP code: 29414)

145. Faith Scholnick (ZIP code: 29401)

146. John Fuller (ZIP code: 29403)

147. Francis McCann (ZIP code: 29401)

148. Gerald (Griff) Hogan (ZIP code: 29401)

149. George Hartley (ZIP code: 29401)

150. Sarah Horton (ZIP code: 29401)

151. Grace Reed (ZIP code: 29401)

152. Gordon Strauss (ZIP code: 29401)

Please stop the madness and do not destroy our neighborhoods.

153. R Garey Goff (ZIP code: 29401)

154. Tom & Carol Gilson (ZIP code: 29401)

155. Glenda Nemes (ZIP code: 29401)

I agree with #2 for sure. As a legal B and B since 1980's I have seen a terrible proliferation of illegal STR ruining quality of life and resident balance downtown. I do not believe all STRs should be prohibited however. 10% should be allowed in residential areas that wish to have them and 15% in commercial areas. They should have strictly made and enforced regulations.

156. Glenn DeBiasi (ZIP code: 29401)

I oppose short term rentals south of Broad st

157. Sally Maitland (ZIP code: 29401)

158. Dianna Goldman (ZIP code: 29401)

159. George Gephart (ZIP code: 29401)

160. Stephen Hambric (ZIP code: 29401)

I concur, and actually recommend strengthened prohibitions along with enhanced enforcement.

161. Hayden Jennings (ZIP code: 29401)

162. Heidi Whaley (ZIP code: 29401)

163. Helen Pratt-Thomas (ZIP code: 29401)

I live at 1/2 Atlantic Street, Chas 29401

164. Helen Geer (ZIP code: 29401)

165. Helen McCunniff (ZIP code: 29401)

166. Helen Maybank (ZIP code: 29401)

Short term rentals should not be allowed in our residential neighborhoods.

167. Laura Scott (ZIP code: 29401)

168. Hildie Lyddan (ZIP code: 29401)

169. Heidi Herman (ZIP code: 29401)

With the plethora of hotels we don't need all the residences to become transient too. Please save our neighborhoods and do not pass this!

170. Hugh Lane (ZIP code: 29401)

171. Holly Patrick (ZIP code: 29401)

172. Hope Parker (ZIP code: 29401)

173. Diane Horan (ZIP code: 29401)

174. Peter Horan (ZIP code: 29401)

175. E. Horry Parker (ZIP code: 29401)

176. Hilton Smith (ZIP code: 29403)

177. Dave Piotrowski (ZIP code: 29401)

178. Harford Igleheart (ZIP code: 29401)

179. Jud Chitwood (ZIP code: 29401)

180. Jim Cox (ZIP code: 29401)

181. James London (ZIP code: 29401)

Rent in this city is skyrocketing. Stop the madness. Keep the housing stock.

182. Janice and Greg Pearce (ZIP code: 29491)

183. Jarrett Thomas (ZIP code: 29403)

184. James Goldman (ZIP code: 29401)

185. Jay Williams (ZIP code: 29401)

STR's, especially combined with the inexcusable increase in new hotel rooms that now total over 16,000 in the county, are damaging to the neighborhoods, the balance of the City (businesses, tourism, residents), and they will serve to drive the lower middle and middle class residents and renters off the peninsula as they are already driving up housing prices and rental rates.

STR's are also a scourge to the neighborhoods by inviting a new set of strangers in, whose background is unknown and whose interests in the City are uncertain, night after night. Their introduction invites new noises into the neighborhood, more people parking on the streets making it hard, harder or impossible for residents to park near their homes, and illegally permit neighbors to run actual businesses--that openly advertise to the public--into areas zoned residential. STR's openly mock the zoning codes.

STR's invite speculators, and already entire houses are being turned into mini hotels (but without staff, facilities, proper fire and robbery protections, etc.) where no one lives permanently--entire neighborhoods will be lost to "travelers" who are not only not involved in Charleston, they have no reason to care about Charleston.

And for a City struggling to come up with just a single mass transit project, STR's will add another phalanx of automobiles and Uber's onto the streets, into the parking spaces, making it even more unlikely Charleston will remain a livable City.

The speculators, the Internet facilitators, and those who are renting out portions of their homes in residential neighborhoods are selfish and greedy, uninterested in protecting or preserving the balance of the City by turning it into Disney World or Myrtle Beach.

The current regulations against STR's must be enforced and the fines must be dramatically increased to prevent this terminal virus from destroying us.

186. Joan Gedge (ZIP code: 29401)

187. James Bingay (ZIP code: 29401)

I support the Petition below to enforce and limit short term rentals in Charleston.

188. Joanne Campbell (ZIP code: 29401)

189. John Hazelton (ZIP code: 29401)

190. Margaret Bingay (ZIP code: 29401)

Short term rentals destabilize a community. Charleston is already suffering from too many tourists, too many cars. Please keep our neighborhoods family oriented for the overall health of this fair city!

191. Jean Johnson (ZIP code: 29401)

192. J.E. Bradham (ZIP code: 29401)

I endorse the petition 100%.

193. Jennifer Williams (ZIP code: 29401)

Enforce the laws against STRs that are on the books. Charleston's viability as a livable city is at a tipping point. There are too many tourists who do not care about the neighborhoods, our privacy, our parking. If the STR laws are not enforced we will be surrounded by strangers, not neighbors. The residents are paying the high taxes, not the tourists. They do not care about our city...we do.

194. Jerry Smith (ZIP code: 29401)

Short-term rentals such as those enabled by Airbnb and the like in the Historic Charlestowne Neighborhood should not be allowed. The city of Charleston should aggressively enforce the laws governing short-term rentals. Any party wishing to let Charlestowne Neighborhood properties for less than 30 days should be made to meet the existing regulations governing B&B's. The Charlestowne neighborhood should remain an historic "residentially" zoned neighborhood.

195. Jessica Gibadlo (ZIP code: 29401)

100% opposed to short-term rentals

196. Jessica Smith (ZIP code: 29108)

197. John and Dianne Culhane Culhane (ZIP code: 29455)

198. Lawson Johnson (ZIP code: 29407)

I am not in favor of short term rentals. I especially think short-term rentals are not good for residential areas of city. Out-of-state residents are buying houses as short-term rentals for big money-making business. Short-term rentals should not be allowed in non-owner occupied houses or property without off-street parking.

199. Jodi Albert (ZIP code: 29401)

200. Jennifer Metts (ZIP code: 29401)

201. Michael Grant (ZIP code: 29401)

202. JAMES HUTTO (ZIP code: 29455)

203. Joan Hazelton (ZIP code: 29401)

204. Jo-Ann Cooper (ZIP code: 29401)

205. Joan Poulnot (ZIP code: 29401)

206. Joanne Martin (ZIP code: 29401)

207. Jo Fortunato (ZIP code: 29401)

208. John Cannon (ZIP code: 29401)

Enforce the law!!!

209. John-Paul Bradley (ZIP code: 29403)

My neighbor is turning their house into a unlicensed and illegal BnB using short term rental platforms. I went from living next door to three long-term renters to having, literally a thousand, people coming and going in a year next door.

210. John M. Rivers, Jr. (ZIP code: 29401)

211. John Orr (ZIP code: 29501)

212. joseph newton (ZIP code: 29401)

213. Jane P. deButts (ZIP code: 29401)

214. Judy Manning (ZIP code: 29401)

215. Randy Pelzer (ZIP code: 29401)

We need to preserve the residential character of our neighborhoods. I fully support the petition.

216. J. R. Barnhart (ZIP code: 29401)

Hate short term rentals. Can't wait until tecklenburgs term is done and we can get a new mayor.

217. Jenna Carbone (ZIP code: 29401)

218. Jane Hamilton (ZIP code: 29401)

219. Jan Menniti (ZIP code: 29401)

220. Jane Smith (ZIP code: 29582)

221. Justin Thomas (ZIP code: 29401)

222. Judy Moore (ZIP code: 29401)

I am totally against short term rentals in the historic area south of Broad Street.

223. Julia Simpson (ZIP code: 29403)

Too many partying people occupying homes during weekends and none occupying those same spaces most days/nights during week. We've lost a neighborhood feel. I want to recognize faces on my street after renting here for 2 years.

224. Julianna Pinckney (ZIP code: 29401)

Adamantly opposed to short-term rentals in residential zoned areas. It is illegal.

225. Julien Libaire (ZIP code: 29403)

226. Justin Tapp (ZIP code: 29403)

227. John Martin (ZIP code: 29401)

The prohibition on short term rentals South of Broad should be retained and strictly enforced, including enforcement against national organizations willfully flouting local ordinances.

228. Karen Lawson Johnston (ZIP code: 29401)

229. Karla Newsom (ZIP code: 29401)

Please do not alter the law restricting short term rentals

230. Katherine Glenn (ZIP code: 29401)

231. Kathryn Becker (ZIP code: 29401)

To: The City of Charleston

From: Kathryn Becker

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232. Kathleen Geygan (ZIP code: 29401)

233. Kate Dolan (ZIP code: 29401)

We need the City to step up and ENFORCE current regulations.

234. Kellen Cooney (ZIP code: 29401)

235. JL Johnson (ZIP code: 29401)

Subject:

The City of Charleston : PETITION OF CHARLESTON RESIDENTS THAT THE CITY RETAIN CURRENT PROHIBITIONS ON SHORT TERM RENTALS AND ENHANCE ENFORCEMENT

July 27, 2017

Short term rentals in residential neighborhoods do not benefit neighborhoods!

I, along with neighbors and various neighborhood associations, publicly oppose any relaxation of the laws limiting short-term rentals and feel enhanced enforcement is necessary to stop illegal short-term rentals. Short-term rentals threaten the residential character and zoning of entire residential neighborhoods, and they create problems for law-abiding residents with additional noise, parking, higher property taxes and more.

Due to recent fire at rental property, all rentals long and short so have mandatory fire inspections!! Our properties are close to one another. Fire is a hazard to our entire historic area.

Properties are being transformed by owners seeking profit - large bedrooms are being split into two bedrooms. Residents are frustrated!!! Their city is changing rapidly for profit of rental property owners!!

Renters need to be informed about keeping grills away from houses.

Thanks!

236. Katie Marko (ZIP code: 29401)

237. Kate Francies (ZIP code: 29403)

238. Katherine Hogan (ZIP code: 29401)

I am totally against short term rentals and feel that they will damage our neighborhood!

239. Kim Crain (ZIP code: 29401)

I am strongly opposed to short term rentals. I believe they are a detriment to our neighborhoods, added parking to an already poor situation in our city and sometimes too many people staying under one roof....

240. Susan Goff (ZIP code: 29401)

241. kathleen young (ZIP code: 29401)

242. Kathryn Dunn (ZIP code: 29401)

243. Sharon Kofmehl (ZIP code: 29401)

I think this is not simply a yes/no on whether the ordinance should change. I think this is very hard to monitor, and I don't know that there are not some conditions that have merits. My signature on this position should really be interpreted as "until better data is collected, defensibility and monitoring of compliance can be better articulated and controlled , and a true understanding of whether there are some instances that have merit for STR. I DO believe the neighborhood quality needs to be maintained. A solid job of facts and consideration for alternatives posed which has not been shown to me at this point to date

244. Katie Seaman (ZIP code: 29401)

245. Lance Wyatt (ZIP code: 29401)

246. Linda Becher (ZIP code: 29401)

247. Anna Bradley (ZIP code: 29403)

248. Larry Tarleton (ZIP code: 29401)

249. Larry Midla (ZIP code: 29401)

Do not permit short term rentals

250. Lasca Lilly (ZIP code: 29401)

251. Laura Gates (ZIP code: 29401)

252. Laurie Johnson (ZIP code: 29402)

Please add my name to not change the City Zoning stance on short-term rentals.

253. Banks Wannamaker (ZIP code: 29464)

254. Lucian Del Priore (ZIP code: 29401)

255. Suzanne Jackson (ZIP code: 29401)

256. LEON DEBRUX (ZIP code: 29401)

257. Lelio Parducci (ZIP code: 29401)

I wholeheartedly support this proposal. Changing the current zoning law would be detrimental to the character of the City of Charleston and progressively erode the hard won position it has as one of the unique cities in the country.

258. Lester Detterbeck (ZIP code: 29401)

259. Lynn White (ZIP code: 29401)

I am opposed to any expansion of the STR zone and strongly support enhanced enforcement of existing regulations.

260. Leo Hall (ZIP code: 29401)

261. Lynn Hanlin (ZIP code: 29402)

Strongly urge city to enforce the law prohibiting STR rentals and not expand over lay districts

262. Beverly S Johnson (ZIP code: 29401)

Do not allow short-term rentals below Broad Street!!!

Our historic area should consider feelings and livability of long-term residents. Too many houses are

already rentals on Council Street. there is a new short-term rental at 14 Council with renters, cleaners, gardeners, etc coming and going weekly. Owner of property lives out-of-town so home is a business!! It affects the character of our neighborhood.

At 22 Council, owner converted three bedrooms per floor (unit) into 4 bedrooms per floor so eight people with 8 cars creates noise and parking issues. it can't even accommodate more than three cars parked off street. Changes may have been made without permits or fire inspection. All rentals should require fire inspectors annually!!! Thanks you

263. Lisa Field (*ZIP code: 29401*)

264. George Boniface (*ZIP code: 29401*)

265. Lissy Morgan (*ZIP code: 29401*)

266. Joe Lobert (*ZIP code: 29401*)

267. Laurel Greer (*ZIP code: 29401*)

268. Lois Lane (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Short term rentals should only be allowed in the current overlay zone. Properties in the overlay zone that are being used as short term rentals are being better maintained. This is NOT necessary in other neighborhoods where properties have been used as single family residences and have been beautifully maintained for decades.

On our street, Lamboll, we have witnessed multiple late night parties with weekend crowds piled into 2 or 3 bedroom homes leased as short term rentals. The trash and noise is unbearable.

More importantly, as owner of a real estate company downtown I can say without doubt that short term rentals will erode values in all neighborhoods south of Calhoun Street.

Lois Lane

269. Lou Hammond (*ZIP code: 29501*)

270. Louise Strauss (*ZIP code: 29401*)

please do NOT allow short term rentals in the historic area as there are plenty of hotel rooms- actually too many hotel rooms and soon they will have to start discounting their rates since there are so many

271. LOUIS ERELLA (*ZIP code: 29401*)

272. Dr. and Mrs. J. Price Cameron (*ZIP code: 29401*)

As long-time owners of a licensed Bed and Breakfast, we are against this type of rental, especially when a lot of young, irresponsible people are all jammed into a few rooms. The area around the College of Charleston is already disgracefully unkempt; both buildings and landscape are often in embarrassing condition. Party groups associated with weddings, spring break, graduations, etc. are often a nuisance. We do not need more of this type of visitor in our historic neighborhoods.

273. Louis Parker (*ZIP code: 29401*)

274. Lucie Maguire (*ZIP code: 29401*)

No short term rentals!

275. Luke McBee (*ZIP code: 29401*)

276. Lawrence Wetzel (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Maintain and enforce the restriction on short term rentals, especially in the historic district.

277. Larry Gillespie (*ZIP code: 29401*)

278. Mary Walters (*ZIP code: 29401*)

279. Henry Manning Unger (*ZIP code: 29401*)

A few thoughts in support of the proposition:

Keeping short-term rentals out of downtown neighborhoods will increase property values in the long run. Short-term rentals will decrease the number of buyers for personal use as they will not want to live (full-time or part-time) in a neighborhood full of short-term rentals. Buyers for personal use will pay more than buyers for investment purposes because they are not basing their decision solely on return on investment. The history of home values on Sullivan's Island, which severely limits short-term rentals, supports this point.

Allowing short-term rentals in downtown neighborhoods will also hurt the tourism economy in the long run. One of the main draws to Charleston is the well-maintained facades and yards of the private homes within the historic district. Short-term rental owners, driven primarily by return on investment, are less likely to go the extra mile in terms of maintenance of their properties. This will lead to the eventual degradation of the quality of the historic district, causing a decline in tourism. While many residents of the downtown neighborhoods might welcome a decline in tourism, remember that by the time this decline occurs, short-term rentals will have taken over most of the downtown neighborhoods. There won't be anyone left who would enjoy this consequence.

280. Margot McCunniff (*ZIP code: 53203*)

281. Mark and Diane Gould (*ZIP code: 29403*)

We favor effective enforcement in Cannonborough/Elliotborough. There are illegal short term rentals on our block

282. Martha Debiasi (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Short term rentals destroy communities because they do not, and can not, facilitate relationships among neighbors. This is a very predictable outcome. During and after Hurricane Matthew the neighbors looked out for each other and pitched in to help. That won't happen if absentee landlords are renting to never-to-be-seen again strangers. The neighborhood sanctity is not about borrowing a cup of sugar anymore, it is about the custom of looking out for each other.

283. Mary Garrett (*ZIP code: 06877*)

284. Mary Ann Cope (ZIP code: 29401)

285. Mary Bradford-White (ZIP code: 29401)

286. Mary Ramsay (ZIP code: 29407)

287. Don McLaurin (ZIP code: 29401)

The city needs to vigorously enforce the law as it relates to STRs. We residents deserve to live in the residential neighborhoods that we bought in. If the fines are not working, increase them until they do.

288. Anna Outten (ZIP code: 29401)

289. Mary Dial (ZIP code: 29401)

We oppose short term rentals of any kind in the south of broad neighborhood in Charleston sc

290. mark lux (ZIP code: 29401)

We live at 12 Church Street. STRONGLY SUPPORT significant (\$10,000 ++) fines for ANY violation. Why doesn't the city make some \$\$\$ here. You're not collecting any taxes...

291. Meg Phillips (ZIP code: 29401)

292. Maurice H Thompson (ZIP code: 29401)

This is an insidious and toxic way of destroying our neighborhoods, our city and our appeal to visitors and residents alike. Our major appeal lies in the fact that we are a LIVING CITY, not a Disneyland of artificiality nor a Williamsburg of a museum. We are real people in a real environment, doing real things, like grocery shopping, bicycling, gardening, training puppies, etc. If we destroy that, we have destroyed all that we are, along with most of our appeal as a destination.

293. Melinda Allen (ZIP code: 29401)

294. william shaw (ZIP code: 29401)

The reasons are apparent. No parking, no tax collection to offset demand on services, and the shock of having a bachelorette party next door every weekend.

295. Michael Laughlin (ZIP code: 29401)

296. Michael Chapman (ZIP code: 29455)

297. Michael & Jan Jacobson (ZIP code: 29401)

Unregulated short term rentals are out of control. Please enforce the laws on the books.

298. Amelia Cathcart (ZIP code: 29401)

299. Martie Williams (ZIP code: 29401)

300. Mitzi Legerton (ZIP code: 29401)

The worse thing to confront our city. It appears to be for sale

301. Peg Moore (ZIP code: 29401)

302. Morgan Falk (ZIP code: 29401)

303. Katie Lyon (ZIP code: 29407)

304. Marie Vandivort (ZIP code: 29401)

305. Michelle Hinson (ZIP code: 29401)

306. Margaret Smith (ZIP code: 29401)

307. Margaret Eigner (ZIP code: 29401)

308. MARION SIMPSON (ZIP code: 29401)

309. Margot Rose (ZIP code: 29401)

310. Marshall Walker (ZIP code: 29403)

311. Mary McNab (ZIP code: 29401)

312. Myrto Tsavalas (ZIP code: 29401)

313. Nancy Rees (ZIP code: 29401)

314. Brent Hamilton (ZIP code: 29401)

We are against

315. Nella Barkley (ZIP code: 29401)

Wholeheartedly is support of prohibiting short term rentals and of enforcement

316. Nelson Hicks (ZIP code: 29401)

Short term rentals (less than one year) negatively affects the Charleston quality of life of its residents. City Council should take positive action to minimize such rentals.

317. Nigel Cooper (ZIP code: 29401)

Please stop short term rentals

318. Stephen Hope (ZIP code: 29401)

319. Cheryl Townsend (ZIP code: 29455)

Years ago Stono Pointe was annexed into the city. My husband and I were both born and raised in Charleston proper, and we are against short term rentals. These rentals pose a significant risk to altering the nuances of historic neighborhoods, both thru the clientele as well as the environment. Short term renters have no vested interest in neighborhood issues nor in property upkeep. Permanent residents know their neighbors and can easily determine if conditions next door are unusual or unsafe and can check on their neighbor, a process which ensures safety, friendship and continuity of the neighborhood exists. Wealthy out of town investors could buy downtown homes and rent them short term, and the once flourishing old Charleston neighborhood would become another hotel district. It is simply a bad idea fraught with unknown consequences.

320. WILLIAM Oakley (ZIP code: 29401)

321. William Miller (ZIP code: 29401)

There is nothing more destructive to a residential neighborhood than these unsupervised hotel businesses wrecking havoc on the peaceful character of a neighborhood. With transient visitors displacing permanent neighbors, the character of a neighborhood quickly deteriorates, and we certainly don't want Charleston to place commercialization ahead of its residents.

322. Pam Wilson (ZIP code: 29401)

323. Louis Pardi (ZIP code: 29401)

Wife and I both oppose short term rentals in Charleston!

324. Park Smith (ZIP code: 29401)

325. James & Patricia Lombard (ZIP code: 29401)

Restrict STRs heavily in areas where on street parking permits are required. Then James Isle. and the West Ashley can continue under less stringent rules.

326. Patricia Secrist (ZIP code: 29401)

327. Paula Brady (ZIP code: 29401)

How to greatly deter STR? 'Affect their pocket\$'.

Neighbors who offer STR are 'filling their coffer\$\$\$' while their neighbors report it, all to no avail.

A STR only receives a \$500 fine, if caught? Versus pocketing 2k-10k for 29 or fewer days?? You do the math.

328. Clifton Peacock (ZIP code: 29401)

329. Jane Beak (ZIP code: 29501)

Our experience with short term rentals on our street have not been good. Loud parties lasting late into the night; problems finding parking in the evening near our home; golf carts "borrowed etc. Our neighborhoods need protecting.

330. Margaret Lewis (ZIP code: 29401)

331. Peter Mani (*ZIP code: 29401*)

332. Stuyvesant Oval (*ZIP code: 29401*)

333. Patricia Fleming (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I decided to move to Charleston because of the quality of life. S/t rentals degrade that quality. A lot do not care about the people/property around them.

334. Philip Turner (*ZIP code: 29401*)

335. Philip Bergan (*ZIP code: 29401*)

336. Elizabeth Gephart (*ZIP code: 29401*)

337. Patricia Uffelman (*ZIP code: 29403*)

The negative effects of this are very apparent in our neighborhood.

338. Lou Ann Pratt-Thomas (*ZIP code: 29401*)

339. Peter Zografides (*ZIP code: 29401*)

340. Bob Herman (*ZIP code: 29401*)

341. Elizabeth McCulloughj (*ZIP code: 29401*)

342. George Ramsay (*ZIP code: 29403*)

343. Randi Serrins (*ZIP code: 29401*)

There is no place for short term rentals in residential neighborhoods in Charleston. Especially on the peninsula.

344. Robert Susinno (*ZIP code: 29455*)

345. Rob Bennett (*ZIP code: 29403*)

It not fair that some are doing it legally while some are making thousands of dollars doing it illegally. Enforce the short term overlay! How long does it take?

346. Robert Black (*ZIP code: 29401*)

347. Rose Dana (*ZIP code: 29401*)

348. Rhonda D. Wright, MD (*ZIP code: 29414*)

Short-term rentals threaten the residential character and zoning of entire residential neighborhoods, and they create problems for law-abiding residents with additional noise, parking, higher property

taxes and other disruptive and sometimes illegal activity.

349. Rebecca Martin (*ZIP code: 29401*)

350. Ruth Edmunds (*ZIP code: 29401*)

351. Rhett Dunaway (*ZIP code: 29401*)

352. Richard Hutson (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I agree with neighborhood assn.

353. Richard Hagerty (*ZIP code: 29401*)

354. Richard Secrist (*ZIP code: 29401*)

355. Richard Lilly (*ZIP code: 29401*)

356. Mary Rivers (*ZIP code: 29401*)

357. RICHARD SANDERS (*ZIP code: 29464*)

358. Ralph Conte (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Agreed!

359. Robert Habig (*ZIP code: 29401*)

360. Robin Smith (*ZIP code: 29401*)

361. Margaret Claypool (*ZIP code: 29044*)

362. Richard Menniti (*ZIP code: 29401*)

363. Rebekah Unger (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I am very opposed to short term rentals.

364. Russell Guerard (*ZIP code: 29401*)

365. Robin Perella (*ZIP code: 29401*)

366. Ryan Reichlyn (*ZIP code: 29403*)

I'm 100% on board with this petition. I bought in the legal area, got permits and paid a heavy premium for those properties. There is no enforcement of the laws for those renting illegally and the city needs to abide by the rules they set and penalize these illegal listings.

367. Steven Anastasion (ZIP code: 29401)

368. sara gouldon (ZIP code: 29401)

369. Sara Kilbride (ZIP code: 29401)

370. Richard Saunders (ZIP code: 29401)

371. Steve Garnett (ZIP code: 29401)

372. Steven Bottcher (ZIP code: 29401)

373. Barbara Birch (ZIP code: 29403)

374. John Scott (ZIP code: 29401)

375. Constance Baldwin (ZIP code: 20401)

I hope you not only prohibit short-term rentals in Ansonborough, but enforce the current ordinances. Even when illegal rentals are reported, nothing is done . . . no wonder is continues.

376. Stuart Dswson (ZIP code: 29401)

377. Shannon Gillespie (ZIP code: 29401)

It is VITAL to enforce laws prohibiting short-term rentals to preserve all facets of the character of Charleston's historic neighborhoods!

378. Sharon Bowers (ZIP code: 29401)

379. Sharon Fratepietro (ZIP code: 29401)

380. Sabine Haythe (ZIP code: 29401)

381. Sigrid Laughlin (ZIP code: 29401)

382. Herb Silverman (ZIP code: 29401)

383. nancy Buchanan (ZIP code: 29401)

Please enforce the existing laws to stop illegal shortchanged-term rentals. In additions, please do not weaken the law that protects the residential quality of historic Charleston.

384. Steve Bailey (ZIP code: 29401)

Stop Short-term rentals before they destroy our neighborhoods. Enforce the law.

385. Erin Skinner (*ZIP code: 29403*)

386. Judith Skoner (*ZIP code: 29403*)

387. Sue Limehouse (*ZIP code: 29401*)

388. Susan Burrell (*ZIP code: 29401*)

389. Catherine Smith (*ZIP code: 29401*)

390. Richard Smith (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I fully support this petition. The threat posed by Airbnb is significant

391. Luke Daniels (*ZIP code: 29401*)

392. Wilbur Prezzano (*ZIP code: 29401*)

393. Sheila Prezzano (*ZIP code: 29401*)

394. Susan Rosen (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Please add my name to the petition.

395. Stan Shelton (*ZIP code: 02116*)

396. stephen gavel (*ZIP code: 29401*)

397. Susan Friberg (*ZIP code: 29401*)

Do not relax the current laws.

398. Sue Del Priore (*ZIP code: 29401*)

399. Susan Miller (*ZIP code: 29401*)

400. Susan Simonson (*ZIP code: 29401*)

I do not support short term rentals.

401. Susan L Bridwell (*ZIP code: 29401*)

402. Susan DiCamillo (*ZIP code: 02655*)

403. Susan Epstein (*ZIP code: 29407*)

404. susanne trainer (*ZIP code: 29401*)

405. Larry Sussberg (ZIP code: 29401)

Short term rentals destroy neighborhoods. I want the city to take action to make it more difficult for STRs to expand into other neighborhoods and I want strict and aggressive enforcement.

406. seymour Baron (ZIP code: 29501)

407. Therese Midla (ZIP code: 29401)

My husband and I have lived in downtown Charleston since 1998. I support and encourage enhanced enforcement to stop illegal short-term rentals. Those who invest in properties for the sole purpose of rental income will destroy the very fabric of the neighborhoods we call home,

408. Tapley Johnson (ZIP code: 29401)

409. Theodora Simons (ZIP code: 29482)

410. Thomas Schneider (ZIP code: 29401)

411. Teresa Culclasure (ZIP code: 29401)

412. Pam Rothwell (ZIP code: 29401)

413. Todd Magro (ZIP code: 29403)

414. Talley Culclasure (ZIP code: 29401)

415. Todd Shuman (ZIP code: 29401)

416. stephen tomlinson (ZIP code: 29403)

417. Thomas Motamed (ZIP code: 29401)

418. Thomas Waring (ZIP code: 29401)

419. Tootie Dawson (ZIP code: 29401)

420. Thomas Rivers (ZIP code: 29401)

421. Debra Treyz (ZIP code: 29401)

The proliferation of short term rentals threatens the character and livability of existing residential neighborhoods and these permanent communities which sustain and define the City of Charleston. Short term renters place additional demands on limited parking, have no connection with or reciprocity of respect for the permanent residents of the neighborhoods they visit, place additional demands on city services and resources without any identifiable direct benefit to the city, and alter the security , peace and well-being of residential neighborhoods with a ongoing and ever-changing influx

of transient and unknown "neighbors." It is possible in a year to have 365 different "neighbors" - or more, depending upon the number of units rented in a given dwelling. If I go to King Street, I expect and accept that I will be surrounded by people I don't know. I do not expect or accept that the same should be true in any residential neighborhood or street in town.

422. Thomas Richards (ZIP code: 29492)

I live on Daniel Island in the City of Charleston and support the existing City zoning laws re: short-term rentals and I encourage stepped-up enforcement of those laws.

423. Thomas Taft (ZIP code: 29401)

Would never have spent \$3 million on a house in the historic district if short-term rentals were permitted. Horrible, horrible, horrible idea.

424. Terese T. Williams (ZIP code: 29401)

425. Tom Uffelman (ZIP code: 29403)

426. Anne Cleveland (ZIP code: 29401)

427. Anne Cleveland (ZIP code: 29401)

428. Woody & Peggy Rash (ZIP code: 29401)

Unenforced laws are detrimental to residents & visitors alike. If short term rentals are allowed to grow like mushrooms in Charleston, we will suffer the consequences of noise, loss of revenue to the city but most of all, the beautiful ambiance of the city we love.

429. Ann Beccia (ZIP code: 29401)

I agree with Steve Bailey who said, "Charleston is beloved by residents and those from away because it is not only beautiful but a real city where real people live.

430. Robert Valdes (ZIP code: 29401)

431. Virginia Beach (ZIP code: 29401)

432. Van Campbell (ZIP code: 29401)

433. Virginia Friedman (ZIP code: 29401)

These short-term rentals absolutely threaten the character of our wonderful neighborhood. These rogue hotels have no oversight and therefore create livability issues.

434. Vrinda Dubois (ZIP code: 29401)

435. William Duke (ZIP code: 29403)

436. Wendy C H Wellin (ZIP code: 29401)

Please do this ASAP. I live on Tradd street in a multimillion dollar house that I love. The traffic on our street in our neighborhood is beginning to make me think of moving. This is a disgrace. The looming Seargent Jasper Project makes me cry.
Thank you

437. W David Latimer (*ZIP code: 29401*)

438. William Kennard (*ZIP code: 29401*)
Short term rentals will destroy the quality of life in my neighborhood.

439. Kate Adams (*ZIP code: 29401*)

440. Wiley Becker (*ZIP code: 29401*)

441. Will Martin (*ZIP code: 29401*)

442. Elizabeth Willett (*ZIP code: 29401*)

443. William Beak (*ZIP code: 29401*)
We live on Atlantic street and had to deal with the short term transit visitors at 4 Atlantic. Parking, noise, people with no vested interest in the neighborhood. Absolutely opposed to STR's!

444. Will Greene (*ZIP code: 29493*)
The undersigned residents of the City of Charleston petition the City:

- (1) not to change the present City zoning laws generally prohibiting short-term rentals and
- (2) to better enforce its existing laws to stop illegal short-term rentals.

445. Wes Lyon (*ZIP code: 29407*)

446. cindy wofford (*ZIP code: 23220*)

447. Yannis Tsavalas (*ZIP code: 29401*)
I fully support this petition
Yannis

448. Zoe Stephens (*ZIP code: 29401*)