

My name is Rebecca Vaccari and I live at 10119 Meadowknoll Drive, across the street from an AIRBNB/VRBO property. **I am asking you to please vote no on HB 563.**

I have all of the concerns about property values, safety, and community that have most likely been shared with you, but I wanted to speak to the safety issues and concerns I have regarding the kids and their safety in the neighborhoods with these types of properties.

I have three children- an 8-year-old, 4-year-old, and a 2-year-old. I love our neighborhood, and one of the main selling points of the house and area was the large number of families and kids. When I was young, I would leave my house on my bike and would be back when the streetlights came on. Times are different now, but we do let our kids play outside with minimal supervision. Since the VRBO started operating, there are strangers on the street on a continuing basis- new groups three times a week. I still let my oldest play outside with his friends, but I check on him way more frequently than before. The other parents and I have a group text to make sure someone has eyes on the group. The continual presence of strangers on the street brings a level of unease not here before.

My backyard backs into the local Highschool practice fields, and this was another huge selling point for our family. I am not sure what is communicated to those who rent the VRBO, but I do know they listed "on site tennis courts" which I assume mean the ones at the high school. I don't know what is communicated to the renters other than what I've seen on the sites, but several of the guests have used this field for baseball, golf, and various other activities. When these strangers are back there, it makes me very uncomfortable to let my kids play in my own backyard or leave them even to just run into the house for a second. Some of these guests have been drinking and using foul language- they are on vacation for the most part, but this is a neighborhood with small kids and families. Again, I am not sure what has been told to the guests, but my side yard has been used to get to the field and high school courts and that's trespassing. I have a black lab dog, and while we do have an invisible fence and a sign warning of the dog, this is another liability I do not need or want.

The increased traffic in the area due to the VRBO, the slow drive by's looking for the house, regular weekend parties/weddings/showers, recreational drug use, speeding cars, loud evenings, are all other reasons for my safety concerns regarding my children, and the other kids in the neighborhood.

If you promote small government, then this should be left to local regulations to handle. **Please vote no on HB 563** and allow local government to make the decisions that best fit their constituents and the communities in which they live. This should be handled on a local level, by locally elected officials who have a better sense of the communities and areas affected by this, than by state representatives who are not as familiar with every area.

Thank you,
Rebecca Vaccari