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The Honorable Scott Wiggam, Chair
State and Local Government Committee
Ohio House of Representatives
77 S. High Street, 13th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: HB 563

Dear Chair Wiggam:

On behalf of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, we are writing to express the Board's opposition to HB 563, which prohibits a county, township, or municipal corporation from adopting or enforcing any regulations, restriction, or other resolution that prohibits-short term rental properties or regulates the number, duration, or frequency of rental periods for short-term rental properties.

Short-term rentals undoubtedly affect the essential character of neighborhoods and the stability of a community by allowing transient occupancy in a residential neighborhood. Short-term rentals have little interest in the public agencies or the welfare of residents. Short-term residents do not participate in local government or activities that strengthen a community. They do not provide the consistency or neighborhood cohesiveness afforded by long-term residential properties. In Jackson Township, we have been plagued by complaints regarding transient individuals at these short-term rentals. Jackson Township residents have been identified short-term rentals as a concern to neighborhood safety, and a degradation to housing values.


As a home rule township, we should have the ability to zone short-term rentals as the same classification as hotels or motels. They do not belong, nor do they fit into residentially zoned districts, as they are a business venture. We do not allow businesses in residential districts and that is exactly what a short-term rental is.

Short-term rentals cause us to lose revenue because the "residents" do not pay hotel tax. As the bill stands, there is no requirement for a short-term rental

to be registered with the township. We have no knowledge of its existence. The loss of bed tax, that visitors of a hotel pay, negatively affects our local economy. This also creates unfair competition for hotels and motels that do pay bed tax.

In closing, on behalf of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, we would strongly voice Jackson Township's opposition to HB 563.

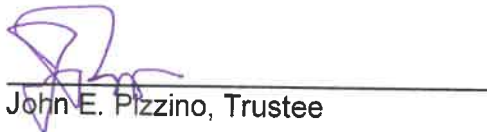
Sincerely,



Todd J. Hawke, Chairman



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