

We all want “a community where small businesses thrive, and families can afford to live.” Unfortunately, as the number of vacation rentals grew by almost 70% (2017-2021) it became increasingly difficult for families to find affordable housing and businesses to find staff. Measure ___ includes incentives to convert vacation rentals into long-term rentals which would help families and businesses.

2021 was an exceptional year that put an incredible strain on our community. We are already seeing vacation rentals sit empty as demand returns to more normal levels. When supply far exceeds demand, no one wins. As recently as 2015, hotels and lodges accounted for nearly 40% of our TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax), by 2021 that had dropped to 22%. This initiative seeks to restore that balance and prevent a repeat of 2021.

30 contracts doesn't mean 30 nights. Each vacation rental can be rented 30 times per year, which can be 30 weekends or 30 weeks, plus use by owners, friends and family.

The existing rules are working for the industry, not the residents. The city has too much discretion to overlook violations; most violations result in a warning. This initiative will close enforcement loopholes and encourage operators, not the neighbors, to monitor their properties.

“Big Bear Lake Residents for Safe Neighborhoods” wants you to believe that unlimited vacation rentals make for “Safe Neighborhoods”. Do you feel safer with different strangers staying next door every few days? We don't need more vacation rentals; we need more Neighbors.

VOTE YES on Measure ___!

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STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3 (beginning with § 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement **to be signed** by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned **proponents and author** of the **rebuttal** argument **in favor** of ballot proposition: **Initiative Measure Amending the City's Municipal Code to Limit the Number of Vacation Rental Licenses and Rental Contracts in the City and to Enact Additional Limitations and Regulations on Vacation Rentals**, at the general election for **The City of Big Bear Lake** to be held on **Nov, 8, 2022**, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Print Paul J Sokoloff _____ Title Chair, BBL United to Limit STRs _____ (If applicable): Submitted on behalf of : Big Bear Lake United to Limit Short-Term rentals _____ (name of organization)	Name _____ Signature _____ Date <u>7-28-22</u>
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