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Re: Vacation Home Rental (VHR) issues

Dear Supervisors,

I would like to start by saying thank you Supervisors for placing a cap on the VHR licenses at 900. This is a very important step--thank you for seeing the need. By limiting VHRs, it could create more housing for our local workers and families. Some VHR owners may be willing to rent their homes full time.

I would also like to suggest a 500' distance between VHRs for anti-clustering. We have a street in our development (Lower Montgomery Estates), Lone Indian Trail, which has over 30 VHRs.

Fire Safety is a very important issue when it comes to VHRs, and for all of us, of course. Please consider requiring a documented defensible space inspection for all VHRs prior to receiving a permit to use the home as a VHR.

Please consider banning fires outside the VHR structures (campfires, warming fires, bonfires, fire pits, propane fires, outdoor propane heaters). There were many fire incidents over this past tourist season even though we were not supposed to have as many visitors here in Tahoe due to COVID.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully submitted,

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