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The Corporation of the City of London ON Mayor Ed Holder
Councillor Maureen Cassidy
Councillor Steve Lehman
Community and Protective Services

Arielle Kayabaga Peggy Sattler

To whom it may concern,

Re-Short term rentals

There are 17 established properties on Ewald Place in London ON. In February 2022, 19 Ewald Place was converted from a single family dwelling in to an Airbnb unit. Short term renters arrive frequently, preceded by cleaning, maintenance and grounds' crews. The stipulated 10 person limit is often exceeded. Unsupervised, over-refreshed revelers spill into the yard and around the pool with little regard for those of us who have cared for our families, our neighbours and our properties.

An absentee owner, offering a 2 night minimum reservation, commands 931 CAD for 3 people to stay in the entire home. Of the posted dates May through August 2022, approximately 75% are reserved. If no renters are present, the home sits vacant.

The proprietor has established a commercial enterprise, masquerading as a bed and breakfast, on a formerly quiet street. With warmer weather, we anticipate larger parties, more noise and congestion into the night. The undersigned are concerned for the safety of our children, the security of our neighbourhood and a disruption to the character and quality of an existing residential area.

We ask London City council to take a strong stand against short term rental units in residential neighbourhoods, and establish bylaws to enforce:

- On site ownership (not designated property management)
- A maximum number of annual rental days e.g not more than 90 rental nights per house
- Real time monitoring of the number of short term tenants
- Noise bylaw adherence
- Municipal licensing for short term rental
- Hotel tax on rentals (4%)

Thank you for considering our concerns. Please acknowledge receipt of this correspondence by email.

Ewald Place Residents London ON

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