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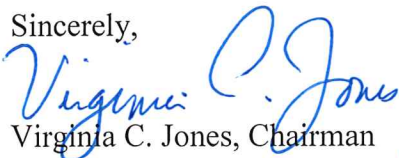
Dear Board Members:

Recently, the board held a discussion regarding short term rentals and the issues as well as impacts that they present. We noted that additional traffic, use of facilities and resources as well as more noise and changes in our community accompany the escalating expansion of air bed and breakfast rentals. Further, houses which previously might be available for year-round rentals are now essentially year-round motels. Recently it has come to our attention that some hotels have been expanding their inventory to booking private homes for room-rental purposes.

The Planning Board discussed the option of creating a short-term rental committee to explore options and make recommendations for how we can handle these subtle changes of use. We respectfully request a discussion on this matter to obtain a reasonable solution to a portion of the housing crisis in the Town of West Tisbury.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Virginia C. Jones, Chairman

