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Dear Land Use Committee Chair Melgar and the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

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Although state eviction protections are set to fully expire on March 31, we know that the economic impacts of COVID have not ended. Over 10,000 local households who have applied for rent relief have yet to see their applications processed by the state ERA Program. The most recent [Census Pulse](#) survey indicates that nearly 30% of tenants surveyed were unconfident or only slightly confident in their ability to make next month's rent payments, and this number jumps to over 70% of those waiting for their rent relief applications to be processed. A quarter of households with children are behind on rent. Nearly three quarters of households behind on rent make less than \$50,000 a year, and more than 80% are BIPOC. Without the extension of local protections, we can expect that many Black and Brown and low-income San Franciscans will face eviction, many displaced via harassment and intimidation before they ever get to court. Separating evictions from the debt accrued during this extraordinary period gives us time to ensure a recovery that includes *all* San Franciscans.

We thank the board for your leadership in this time and your support for this essential tool in stabilizing our communities through this recovery period.

Respectfully,

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San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Chair Myrna Melgar, Land Use and Transportation Committee
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