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October 29, 2020

VIA EMAIL <u>aaron.peskin@sfgov.org</u>

Supervisor Aaron Peskin San Francisco Board of Supervisors City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: <u>Proposed Commercial Eviction Moratorium Ordinance</u>

Dear Supervisor Peskin:

This letter is in support of the proposed Commercial Eviction Moratorium Ordinance.

Small businesses are vital to Chinatown and to our senior residents. Many of our senior residents in the community rely on Chinatown small businesses to eat, shop and obtain essential services. COVID-19 has already caused many closures of Chinatown businesses and the community cannot afford to lose these small businesses. Any rent relief to give Chinatown small businesses a chance to survive is crucial to the vibrancy of Chinatown.

We support the proposed Commercial Eviction Moratorium Ordinance and urge you to approve it.

Very Truly Yours, Anni Chung

President and CEO

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The Chinese Chamber of Commerce supports economic activity and business development in Chinatown. Many of our members are small businesses that are the lifeblood of Chinatown. Small businesses are the economic backbone of Chinatown and they keep Chinatown as a gateway for many residents and new immigrants. An overwhelming number of small businesses are suffering irreparable economic harm due to the Coronavirus. Rent relief is crucial for these small businesses to be given a chance to survive, and to keep Chinatown a place to shop, eat and visit.

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Eddie Au, President Chinese Chamber of Commerce

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То:	Major, Erica (BOS)
Subject:	FW: SUPPORTING Land Use and Transportation Committee Agenda Item #1 Administrative Code - Eviction of Commercial Tenants During COVID-19 Pandemic File #201056
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### TO: Board of Supervisors members

I am strongly supporting the commercial eviction moratorium during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Eileen Boken

Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods\*

\*For identification purposes only.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:	Lori
To:	<u>Major, Erica (BOS)</u>
Cc:	Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); asha.safai@sfgov.org; Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Board of
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November 2, 2020

## Land Use Committee - PUBLIC COMMENT - IN SUPPORT

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My name is Lori Matoba, and I am a native San Franciscan who lives in and has grown up in Japantown.

I have seen this pandemic devastate small businesses in Japantown and others throughout the city. They have had every challenge thrown at them over the past eight months, and most are barely hanging on to survive. Our many cultural districts in San Francisco are what make our City unique – and the small familyowned restaurants and stores are what bring people to our neighborhoods.

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Thank you!

Lori Matoba-Wun

1839 Steiner Street San Francisco, CA 94115 (415) 606-7481 November 2, 2020

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