From:
To: City Council
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Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council members,

My name is Trudy McMahon. I am speaking out as a concerned citizen of Sonoma County. My niece and her son are tenants at Woodmark Apartments.

I am asking you to approve an Urgency Just Cause Eviction Ordinance that takes effect on the first day of tenancy for current and future tenants. This ordinance is accompanied by three months of market-rate relocation assistance that doesn't require signing away of legal rights.

An Urgency Ordinance is the only protection that would ensure that all the remaining families at Woodmark are covered by the 14th of December.

We do indeed need to supply farmworkers good places to live. We do need to provide farm workers good housing. But we also have a moral imperative to protect the people who moved there in good faith. These people will be homeless. The way to get on the list for low income housing is to be homeless in fact. My niece and her son will have to move to a homeless shelter to be eligible for housing.

I ask that Sebastopol take immediate action to support an Urgency Just Cause Ordinance to cover deed-restricted housing. You have the power and opportunity to take to protect your constituents.

Please act now. Thank you for hearing me.

Trudy McMahon Santa Rosa