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DATE: December 6, 2019

RE: Local Law No. 2 of 2019

This Local Law requiring a nine month moratorium on the registration or operation of any new short-term lodging facility in the City of Hudson is being vetoed for the following simple reasons:

1. The term of nine months is exceptionally long. There have been lengthy discussions, conversations and meetings throughout the general community, business community, government and, specifically the legal committee for well over a year regarding short-term lodging.
2. Due to these lengthy discussions, reviews and meetings that have taken place there could have been common sense legislation such as "owner occupied" regulation put into place that would negate the supposed need for a nine month moratorium.
3. The nine month moratorium does not address or resolve the important aspect of various forms of affordable housing needs within the city. This conversation is world wide and especially critical in places where people want to live, invest, raise a family, etc. It is an incredibly important discussion to have but it should not be conflated with short term lodging.
4. This nine month moratorium sends a message to residents, business owners and outsiders that Hudson is not fully open for business, is clamping down on development and important economic development in addition to potentially discouraging visitors from visiting our community and bringing in much needed and important revenues for the various businesses throughout the city.

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