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To:

Assemblyman Steve Yeager, Chairman, Assembly Judiciary Committee

From:

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Date:

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Subject:

Rental Eviction Mediation Program

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of the continuation of the Rental Eviction Mediation Program. I have been involved in this program since December 2020 and have found it to be beneficial to both Landlords and Tenants. During this time of uncertainty with COVID restrictions and loss of income, the ability to participate in mediation has provided both sides with a neutral platform to seek a mutually acceptable resolution to eviction matters.

As you are aware, current funding for this program is set to expire on June 30, 2021. With the CDC's continued moratorium, Nevada may not see the expected surge of eviction matters until the beginning of July 2021. It is critical that Landlords and Tenants continue to have the opportunity to receive the assistance of trained mediators to attempt to resolve the issues without the need for court intervention and possible eviction.

Over the last 6 months, I have received overwhelming gratitude from Tenants, Landlords and lawyers alike for assisting them with their CHAP applications, DETER information and overall repayment of back rent or vacating the premises without breach of the lease agreement or evictions on their records. I have had the ability to work closely with the Las Vegas Justice Court personally in ensuring that they receive timely and accurate information on the outcome of the mediation.

The continuation of this Rental Eviction Mediation Program is imperative to bridge the gap between COVID financial impact and what the future holds and I would sincerely support the Court's consideration of the same.

Sincerely,

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Susan Hallahan

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