

## Rebuttal Form

**Select Type of Rebuttal**

Rebuttal to Opposition of Measure

**Measure Title**

A Measure Pertaining to the Sacramento Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Charter Amendment

**Election Date: November 03, 2020**

**Reason for Rebuttal (Max 250 Words)**

Rent is skyrocketing. We must protect renters. Vote Yes on Measure C. Measure C is cost effective, proven, and necessary to protect Sacramento's renters.

Cities with rent stabilization have the highest rates of housing construction in California. Measure C is about ensuring our existing stock of rental housing stays affordable. Sacramento's failure to build enough affordable housing is a failure of leadership; rent stabilization has no negative impacts on housing construction.

Measure C will help keep families housed. Studies have shown that even a five percent increase in rent can push people out of their homes. Measure C is stronger than current law. Under City law, rent could still go up eight to ten percent a year far faster than people's wages. Measure C will create accountability with a board elected by you. This board will be a fair space to settle disputes, including allowing for variances on rent increases to meet demonstrated needs.

Sacramento should not be held hostage by corporate greed. Our Mayor and City Council have accepted hundreds of thousands of dollars from the real estate industry that opposes rent stabilization, while rents have increased forty five percent in the last eight years. That's why over 44,000 Sacramentans signed the petition to put Measure C on the ballot.

We all know we need to do a lot to protect affordable housing and fight homelessness in our community. Protecting renters is an essential part of that. We must act vote YES on Measure C. [www.YesOnMeasureC.vote](http://www.YesOnMeasureC.vote)

**Signed**

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