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To: #CI-StPaul Ward4; CouncilHearing (CI-StPaul)

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StPaul Ward2; #CI-StPaul Ward3

Subject: Rental occupancy and zonal overlay

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Dear Ms. Jalali,

Please have my comments read into the public hearing record for the March 3 hearing regarding household definition. I'm writing to support limits of occupancy in student dwellings in the SH overlay district to a maximum of four students

We don't have student tenants, and it happens that the cap on the number of houses in our vicinity has been reached, That has not stopped us from finding a DIY crack pipe in our garden, numerous times finding cans and bottles pitched over our fence, and one Homecoming episode. In this episode, four coeds are stumbling down the walk in post-game "humor," carrying drinks and doing what I know I did in terms of laughter and volume (in NYC, and no one noticed). As a young woman doubled over nearly falling on our lawn, a car pulled up, all of her friends jumped in the car. She lagged a bit, polished off her drink and dropped the cup on our lawn. She didn't know my husband saw the whole thing. He shouted, "STOP! Yeah, YOU, blondie. It's bad enough that you nearly pass out on my lawn, but get over here and pick up the cup."

In our day we have lived next door to students. We always made a point of going over for the "introduction and interview." Our advice to them was, if you plan to have a party, invite *all* of the neighbors. This gives them notice that the people around them are watching, and lessens the surprise if you show up--for a drink, or to complain or both. I do not support the plan of six renters per unit in student housing.

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