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To the Larkspur Town Council:  
(Please forward to all the Council Members)

In Fairfax, where the Town Council rashly pushed through the two rent control ordinances, the result is that 25% of the active electorate have signed a petition to put these ordinances on the next general election ballot so that they can be overturned. That's right! We didn't get merely the 5 or 10 percent of signatures needed for a ballot measure. The numbers for Fairfax: 5,000 registered voters, 4,000 voted in the last election. and so far we already have 1,000 signers of the petition.

People are fired up about these ordinances because of the huge impact they will have on so many people's lives, property values, and supplemental income.

These ordinances are hugely unpopular with people across the spectrum, including many renters and regular home owners who can see the long term problems these ordinances will engender.

There is no doubt at this point that these ordinances will be overturned. And those 4 out of 5 Town Council Members who supported passing these ordinances will never be re-elected again in Fairfax. Lots and lots of voters are very upset and angry about the end run of a handful of people making such a life altering decision based on the lobbying efforts of a well funded outside organization that has its own political agenda which doesn't include any concern for the well being of all the other town residents that are not part of the group they are lobbying for.

Town Council's have to be smarter and more attuned to their own community, rather than being caught up by the tactics of a political lobby group.

I urge you to reconsider the track your Council is taking - for the sake of your town and ultimately for your own political careers.

Sincerely,

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