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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:

Organization (if any):

City/Town:

State:

ZIP:

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Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov. You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting 6/18/2020 10a

Q3

Tell us the File ID number (example 17-0000) of the item on which you are registering your position. If you don't know the number, we can help at 312.603.6398 or cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov. You can also look it up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar

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Q4

What do you want to do?

DO NOT ATTEND THE MEETING but REGISTER IN FAVOR of a specific item (You may add written comments below)

Q5

Written Statement? You can type or copy/paste any written statement you want included in the meeting record here. If this is not enough space, or you have other attachments for distribution, please email them to cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov

On April 23rd, Governer Pritzker issued an executive order saying that during the COVID crisis landlords cannot commence evictions unless the tenant poses a danger to other tenants or is causing property damage. Despite this, hundreds of evictions have been filed in Cook County, with many containing an "ad damnum" suggesting that they are for unpaid rent. There is currently no enforcement mechanism in place to ensure that landlords filings evictions are obeying the Executive Order. This means that Cook County renters are being filed against illegally, during a global pandemic due to which many of them have lost work and cannot easily find a new apartment. They may be able to argue in court that the eviction was filed improperly, but many renters will not know this is an option. We need action to be taken now to ensure that landlords AFFIRMATIVELY confirm that they are complying with the executive order when they file for evictions. Please advance this ordinance in order to encourage the courts to do just that.