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Subject: [External] End Smoking in Multi-Unit Housing

Dear City Manager Al Zelinka,

To improve the lives of children and families in Riverside, I support banning smoking in multi-unit housing, and I urge you to take action to ban smoking in multi-unit housing communities.

Exposure to secondhand smoke has been proven to lead to a host of health issues for both adults and children. The U.S. Surgeon General reports there is NO safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke and that, on average, children are exposed to more secondhand smoke than adults.

While their bodies are still developing, children who are exposed to secondhand smoke are at greater risk of developing respiratory disease and it can damage the development of their lungs. Secondhand smoke is also a proven cause of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, low birth weight and diseases including asthma, bronchitis and pneumonia.

Please do everything within your power to end smoking in multi-unit housing communities in Riverside and I urge you to support a city-wide policy that is in favor of providing safe living conditions for families.

Regards,
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