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Step Up For SF Tenant Eviction Protections

Friends, we can support ourselves and our tenant neighbors who are worried about eviction based on loss of income during COVID by **testifying at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Land Use Committee hearing today, MONDAY 6/8 at 1:30PM, and by emailing a letter of support to supervisors for the Tenant Eviction Protection Ordinance.** It will most likely move to the full Board of Supervisors for a vote Tuesday. Oakland has a similar law banning evictions due to financial restraints caused by the pandemic.

What is this legislation?

SF Supervisor Dean Preston has introduced legislation to prevent folks from being evicted for rent they can't pay -- during the state of emergency. Right now, evictions are delayed, but not stopped. The legislation also eliminates late fees during this time. For this legislation to be approved, supervisors who are undecided need to hear from YOU about how important it is that folks don't get evicted for not paying rent when they were impacted by COVID.

PUBLIC COMMENT

You can access the hearing at <https://srgovtv.org>.

We strongly encourage you to call in to the committee hearing and make your voice heard. It is important that Supervisors are aware of the broad base of support we have for this legislation.

Here is the call-in info for Public Comment: 415.655.0001 / Access Code: 145 483 6716

There will be translation. The access numbers are announced in English, Chinese, Tagalog and Spanish at the beginning and before public comment.

Callers are prompted in English to request to give public comment, at which point the caller/speaker has to respond and announce themselves and their need for an interpreter in their language.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

We also encourage you to write an email of support to the Board of Supervisors. [Click here](#) to send an email.



BREATHE

Share [this](#) powerful new 20-second message, "Breathe" which calls on us to #DefendBlackLife and make this country a place where everyone can breathe. It was produced by JoLu Productions with ASO Communications for the [Race Class Narrative Action Project](#).

Please share and amplify the video where it's already been posted by our friends at Black Visions Collective on [Twitter](#), [FB](#), [IG](#).

It was a powerful weekend across the country that has secured

several movement wins. These include a [landmark decision](#) by the Minnesota City Council whose members announced their commitment to disbanding the city's police department, which has endured relentless criticism following the murder of George Floyd on May 25.



Meanwhile, here in the Bay Area, the San Francisco Public Defenders will hold a demonstration to speak out against a system that has failed to hold police accountable for violence against our communities. This is part of nationwide movement of public defender offices that will be holding independent demonstrations in solidarity. Public Defenders will lie down or take a knee for 8 minutes and 46 seconds - the amount of time a Minneapolis police officer knelt on George Floyd's neck, killing him.

Monday, June 8th

**12:00-1:00pm, Hall of Justice – Front Steps
850 Bryant St., San Francisco**

LIVESTREAM ON:

- [Facebook](#): San Francisco Public Defender's Office
- Instagram: @sfpublicdefender

Stay safe out there, *Mask up and wash your damn hands!*

¡Vamonos! Let's Go!



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