

**Date:** February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

From: Colleen Lockwood, President CFLCA

**VIA Email To:** Honorable Florida Senate and House Members

CC: Honorable Fort Lauderdale Mayor & City Commissioners, Fort Lauderdale City

Manager Lagerbloom, newsfeed@sun-sentinel.com

**Re:** SB 1128 and companion HB 1011

The Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations, Inc. ("CFLCA") is a coalition primarily of Civic and Homeowner Associations recognized by the City of Fort Lauderdale. The CFLCA maintains a "focus on the issues relating to preservation of the present and future welfare of the City of Fort Lauderdale and its neighborhoods and citizens, be proactive and reactive to those issues, communicate any recommendations to the proper authorities, strive to ever improve communication and create a stronger partnership between City Government and the neighborhoods."

On January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 the CFLCA held a General Meeting at the Fort Lauderdale City Hall. Quorum requirements were met.

SB 1128 (Diaz) and HB 1011: "Vacation Rentals; Preempting the regulation of vacation rentals to the state; prohibiting a local law, ordinance, or regulation from allowing or requiring inspections or licensing of vacation rentals, etc." was discussed in the company of Fort Lauderdale City Manager Chris Lagerbloom. Upon close of the discussion and after a vote it was established that:

## The CFLCA unanimously opposes SB 1128 and companion HB 1011.

The following thirty (30) neighborhood associations had a representative in attendance when the vote was taken and opposed SB1128/HB1011: Bal Harbour H.O.A., Bermuda Riviera Association, Central Beach Alliance, Colee Hammock H.O.A., Coral Ridge Association, Downtown Fort Lauderdale Civic Association, Edgewood Civic Association, Harbordale Civic Association, Harbour Inlet Association, Home Beautiful Park Civic Association, Imperial Point Civic Association, Inc., Lauderdale Beach H.O.A., Lauderdale Harbors Improvement Association, Lauderdale Isle Civic Association, Lauderdale Manors H.O.A., Melrose Manors H.O.A., Middle River Terrace Neighborhood Association, Nurmi Isles H.O.A., Inc., Progresso Village, Rio Vista Civic Association, Inc., Riverland Preservation Society, River Oaks Civic Association, Riverside Park Residents Association, Rock Island Community, Sailboat Bend Civic Association, Shady Banks Civic Association, Sunrise Intracoastal H.O.A., South Middle River Civic Association, Tarpon River Civic Association, Victoria Park Civic Association.



We commend all those who have voted in opposition to this legislation and applaud continued efforts to amend existing language to maintain *current* local ordinances, protecting the ability of local municipalities to regulate vacation rentals. Regulation by local government rather than via statewide law best serves the needs of our neighborhoods and its citizens. The grandfathered in regulations passed by cities and counties before 2011 do not reflect today's short-term vacation rental issues, and warrant further review.

Respectfully,

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