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DC Zoning – I Airbnb my apartment in Dupont Circle when I leave for the weekend. It allows me to pay my bills while visiting family and friends or when I'm traveling for work.

I really value the Airbnb community. It's filled with people who are responsible and love to visit new places. Most people are kind and the online platform is transparent, which creates a feeling of ownership among travelers.

I always refer guests to nearby businesses, which say they often visit and enjoy. Airbnb is a net-positive for the DC business community.

I hope you support policies that give me (and my fellow neighbors) the opportunity to share our homes.

I can understand if you don't want huge corporations buying homes throughout the city to benefit just a few. But most of us are not big businesses. We are simply citizens that want the opportunity to share our homes and create opportunity for ourselves, our families, and our neighbors.

One day I hope to have another apartment in the city that I can use for short-term or long-term rentals; depending what I need to generate income. I don't come from money, but I believe if I work hard enough, and I'm smart with my decisions, that I can get ahead.

Please consider me in your decisions.

Thank you,

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