

Resolution in Support of Tenants' Rights

WHEREAS approximately half the residents of North Tabor are renters; and

WHEREAS Portland rents have increased 40% since 2010, outpacing increases in tenant incomes; and

WHEREAS the housing crisis in Portland is causing neighborhoods to become less stable, is interrupting children's education when they are forced to enroll in a new school, and is hurting local small businesses and their owners because residents now have less disposable income; and

WHEREAS our neighbors are living in fear of displacement with little or no legal recourse or protection; and

WHEREAS protecting and preserving safe and affordable housing is essential to strong communities; and

WHEREAS North Tabor property owners have a legitimate right to a reasonable return on their investment;

BE IT RESOLVED that North Tabor Neighborhood Association supports the enforcement of Portland Ordinance 188219 providing relocation assistance for involuntary displacements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that North Tabor Neighborhood Association supports the passage of Oregon HB2001 that repeals statewide prohibition on city and county ordinances regulating rents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that North Tabor Neighborhood Association encourages the passage by the Portland City Council of a Tenants' Bill of Rights.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that North Tabor Neighborhood Association encourages the creation of new, affordable housing and other sustainable solutions in our neighborhood.