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To Whom It May Concern,

The staff and owners at Taste fully support short term rentals in South Haven and surrounding areas. Our establishment greatly relies on the tourism that short-term rentals bring to the area. Our business as well as many other locally owned businesses in South Haven and surrounding areas thrive on those who choose to visit the area for a short time. Should the short-term rentals cease, our sales go down, and so does the number of staff that we can employ. We employ 40-50 people, year-round.

As homeowners living in Casco Township, right outside of the City of South Haven, we support and welcome short term rentals in our neighborhood. Never have we had an issue with renters and we enjoy the life that renters bring to our small neighborhood.

Short term rentals are vital to keeping tourism alive in our small beach community. Tourism is the number one reason why we chose South Haven to plant our roots, to live and start our business. Without this, our business and the lives of many of our staff will be negatively affected.

Thank you for taking the time to read our comments and we hope that these points are greatly considered as you move forward with your decision.

Thank you,

Chef Joel & Heidi Gesiakowski
Owners
Taste