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Dear Fairfax County Property Owners and Managers:

I write to you today to ask your help to address housing concerns in our community occurring as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

There is no question that the virus has impacted all of us, from our residents to our small businesses, and I thank you for all you're doing to help those who reside in your properties during this difficult time.

Recognizing these hardships, I would ask that you consider any actions you can take to ease burdens for tenants who will have difficulty paying their rent because of illness or financial hardship related to ongoing business disruptions and closures.

Specifically, to mitigate housing insecurity related to COVID-19 and its anticipated impacts, the County requests that Fairfax County multifamily rental properties voluntarily take the following actions regarding tenants who are current on their rent:

- Ask tenants who will not be able to pay their rent on time to submit a written request for relief which includes a general description of their hardship or household situation
- Offer an installment payment plan to those who seek relief that allows tenants who will miss rent an opportunity to make up the amount over the next 12 months with no fees or penalties
- Waive late fees and/or penalties for those paying rent partially or in increments, at any time(s) during the month, as they are able
- Do not file eviction proceedings against any tenant who is late paying rent. Currently, the General District Court has removed all civil cases (except for protective orders) from the docket which were scheduled to be heard from March 17 - April 6, including evictions.
- Refer tenants who may be struggling to Fairfax County's Department of Health and Human Services at 703-222-0880, TTY 711.

At this time, the County's Department of Housing and Community Development staff are continuing operations and are glad to assist you or your residents with these or any other measures.

Our Fairfax County community is strong, and I thank you for your consideration of this request. You play a big role in our County and I'm thankful for your partnership and all that you do for our residents.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff McKay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeff" and the last name "McKay" clearly distinguishable.

Jeffrey C. McKay
Chairman
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