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Luke Coletti go it alone re: STRs

Editor:

I was surprised to read a letter in last week's Cedar Street Times that says Luke Coletti has proposed a short-term vacation rental measure for the November ballot. I remember committee meetings with several dozen other people involved with him in that proposal, input and support from the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce, and 1,646 registered voters who signed petitions to put it on the ballot. To ignore all the supporters and try to personalize the issue seems an ill-advised attempt to diminish it. The Pacific Grove Neighbors United are just that - plural!

I was also surprised to read the letter's contention that "many" of the short-term rental owners "love our little hometown." I don't doubt that some do love this place as much as I do, but it's the "many" I wonder about. City files last week showed only 18 percent of the short-term rental owners actually live in PG. A whopping 82 percent of them don't; they are absentee owners who use their houses here as mini-motels for overnight rentals. I think they may love to exploit our little hometown for personal profits, but they choose to live elsewhere.

Let's be honest. If you don't want the house next door to your home turned into an overnight rental for different strangers each night, join us and vote "yes" on the Initiative to Preserve and Protect Pacific Grove's Residential Character on the Nov. 6 election ballot.

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