



October 22, 2020

Dear Representative Nosse,

The Central Eastside Industrial Council is concerned about the adverse consequences of not extending the commercial eviction moratorium past the September 30, 2020 end date. Since Multnomah County has not progressed past phase 1, the ability for many businesses to go back to generating profit is still hindered and PPP money has run out. While the City and State try to figure out longer term solutions to help commercial tenants, there are many small businesses that could benefit from its extension to December 31, 2020, tying it to the foreclosure moratorium.

The Central Eastside is a small business district, with over 1300 businesses. We need to make sure that our district is able to retain current businesses and keep our storefronts open, so that we can retain vibrant main streets.

Thanks for your dedication to our district.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Merrill". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kate" being more prominent than the last name "Merrill".

Kate Merrill
Executive Director
Central Eastside Industrial Council

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