

RESOLUTION 24-22

**IN APPRECIATION OF LEAH SIMON-WEISBERG FOR EIGHT YEARS OF
OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE BERKELEY RENT STABILIZATION BOARD
AND THE CITY OF BERKELEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Rent Stabilization Board of the City of Berkeley as follows:

WHEREAS, Leah Simon-Weisberg was elected to the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board (RSB) in November of 2016 and has served with honor as Commissioner for eight years, and also serves on the City of Berkeley's Housing Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Leah has served with fairness, dedication, and balance as Chair of the Rent Board since 2021, and on the Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure Committee, IRA/AGA/Registration Committee (and as its Chair), 2 x 2 x 2 Joint Committee on Housing (Council/RSB/BUSD), Budget & Personnel Committee, 4 x 4 Joint Committee on Housing (and as its Co-Chair), Ad Hoc Committee to Fill Board Vacancy, Ad Hoc Committee on RSB Technology Issues, LIRA Committee, Ad Hoc Committee to Consider Rent Ordinance Amendments at the 2024 November General Election, Environmental Sustainability Committee (now the Climate Resilience Committee), and the 2 x 2 Joint Committee on Housing (RSB/BUSD); and

WHEREAS, Leah has brought valuable technical expertise to the Board as an expert and statewide leader on rent control, landlord-tenant law, and anti-displacement policy, and has driven the charge to update and strengthen Berkeley's tenant laws throughout her tenure on the Board, culminating with the successful passage of Measure BB; and

WHEREAS, Leah was instrumental in seeing the Rent Board through the transition to a new Executive Director and establishing new and updated standards for personnel oversight and performance review; and

WHEREAS, Leah helped to craft Berkeley and Oakland's COVID-19 Eviction Moratoria into the strongest and longest lasting pandemic era eviction protections in the nation, ensuring that residents were able to stay in their homes and remain safe during a time of global crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board hereby thanks Leah Simon-Weisberg for her years of service, for her commitment to the City of Berkeley, and for her leadership on the Rent Stabilization Board, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board wishes Leah Simon-Weisberg the very best in her future endeavors.

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Dated: November 21, 2024

Adopted by the City of Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board by the following vote:

YES:

NO:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

DéSeana Williams, Executive Director
Rent Stabilization Board

Attest: _____
Matt Brown, General Counsel