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Alhambra Approves Temporary Eviction Moratorium

Alhambra, CA — The Alhambra City Council has adopted an Urgency Ordinance to establish a temporary moratorium on evicting tenants who are unable to pay rent due to circumstances related to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The Council unanimously approved Urgency Ordinance O2M20-4771 on March 27, 2020. It covers both residential and commercial tenants. You are eligible if you have:
1. Experienced a lay-off, loss of hours, or other income reduction due to COVID-19;
2. Experienced substantial out-of-pocket medical expenses due to COVID-19;
3. Had to care for a home-bound school-age child;
4. Complied with a recommendation from a government agency to stay at home, self-quarantine, or avoid congregating with others.

A tenant may use this ordinance as an affirmative defense in an unlawful detainer or other action brought by a landlord to recover possession of the rental unit.

Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-28-20 on March 16, 2020, providing some protections for renters and homeowners during this pandemic.

This moratorium will end once Executive Order N-28-20 terminates on May 31, 2020, unless it is extended.

To learn more about Alhambra's temporary eviction moratorium, check out the Frequently Asked Questions.

For updates on City developments related to the coronavirus, visit: https://www.cityofalhambra.org/resources/coronavirus.

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