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Testimony on Bill 22-22

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My wife and I have lived in the same rental unit in Bethesda for the last six years. For the last two years, we have been on a month-to-month lease, and we would like to continue renting on that basis.

On June 7, our landlord gave us a 90-day notice of rent increase, scheduled to take effect as of September 5, 2022. We were informed that if we choose to continue with a month-to-month lease, the new rent level will be **more than 30% higher** than our current rent.

This strikes me as unreasonable overreach on the part of our landlord and indicates a need for the adoption of a reasonable rent increase ceiling in Montgomery County.

Thank you for considering this testimony.