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Dear Leasing Agent,

As the Mayor and Board of the Village of Ellicottville, we are reaching out to address an important matter concerning the leasing regulations for short-term rentals in the Village of Ellicottville. Real estate entities may refer to the Village Local Law for Short Term Rentals for guidance, if necessary, located on the Village website.

According to local ordinance, renting any residential property for a term shorter than thirty (30) days is prohibited within the village limits. Furthermore, all short-term rentals must be leased only to individuals who have obtained the necessary permits issued by the village. Short-term rental properties with valid permits are listed on the village website; please refer to that resource for reference. The website is updated, as necessary.

We have noticed that several listings facilitated by your agency may be in violation of these regulations. While this issue has been ongoing, we are now intensifying our efforts to address it due to heightened concerns from residents and law enforcement.

This not only undermines the regulatory framework established for our community but also affects the overall integrity and stability of our rental market. As a responsible and compliant community member, we urge you to review your current listings and ensure that all properties are being leased in accordance with local laws and that all renters possess the appropriate permits.

Continued non-compliance could result in penalties for both the property owners and your agency. Additionally, the State of NY is preparing to sign into law a bill that will make violations of these types of laws a misdemeanor.

We appreciate your attention to this important matter and trust that you will take the necessary steps to rectify any instances of non-compliance. Please feel free to reach out if you would like to discuss this matter further.Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

John A. Burrell

John A Burrell, Mayor of the Village of Ellicottville and the Village Board of Trustees

CC: Richard Stanton, Village of Ellicottville Attorney