

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B-17

You can help San Luis Obispo be a livable, affordable, and welcoming city with your Yes vote for Measure B-17. Thousands of your neighbors signed the initiative petition to give you this opportunity to guarantee residents' sacred rights of privacy and foreclose discrimination in city housing policies.

By voting Yes, we all can secure the "Rental Housing Inspection" ordinance in an enduring repeal-lock-box, so that it cannot be re-imposed without the voters' say so. And, if any city council puts a similar invasive ordinance on a future ballot, San Luis Obispo voters will never again allow unconstitutional searches of private homes, without probable cause.

By voting Yes, we will decree for the first time that San Luis Obispo housing policies must not discriminate between people based on age, income, disability, gender, race, ethnicity, sexual identity, or status as a renter or homeowner. Your Yes vote assures that every person in San Luis Obispo is treated with equal dignity, regardless of status.

By voting Yes, we can keep our city from stumbling into costly and embarrassing lawsuits for violating residents' fourth and fifth amendment rights.

By voting Yes, we can reduce skyrocketing rent increases. The "Rental Housing Inspection" ordinance's expensive registration and inspection fees would otherwise be passed by landlords on to tenants.

False fears peddling the "dangers" of treating all people with equal dignity collapse under the weight of the opponents' own tortured reasoning.

The city's desire to raise revenue never justifies unconstitutional ordinances. Strike a blow for equal dignity, more affordable housing, security, and privacy by Voting Yes on Measure B-17.

Stew Jenkins, Homeowner-Proponent

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