

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, LOS ALTOS-MOUNTAIN VIEW AREA
DECEMBER 19, 1974
STATEMENT TO MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGARDING LANDLORD-TENANT MEDIATION COMMISSION

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL: The League of Women Voters believes that govern-
ment should be responsive to the people and should share in the solution
of economic and social problems which affect the general welfare. With
this position as a basis for our action, we support the planning commission
recommendation for the establishment of a ^{rental} housing mediation commission ^{formed a mediation}
We understand that landlords, renters and ^{experienced} housing people would be equally ^{task force}
represented; the goal being an impartial commission. Other communities
have found that private organizations must certainly be partial to land-
lords or tenants, whereas the city can be an impartial ^{mediator} ~~arbiter~~.

We feel that a housing mediation commission is an excellent alternative
to court action, providing a new avenue for more than 60% of the popula-
tion of Mountain View who are renters; and their landlords. At the same
time, such a commission provides an opportunity to involve renters and
landlords in the community, and also provides stability for the community
by promoting better living conditions and a positive atmosphere for mediation.

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