July 21, 2015

To whom it may concern;

I activated an account in May 2015 on this website called Airbnb (internet Bed and Breakfast) to rent out a basement bedroom in my home for additional income. In the month of July 2015 I started to rent two basement rooms out in increase my income. At the end of August I will only be renting one bedroom out and my daughter will be moving back into her room as the school year begins. My guests consist of a maximum of two people per room and are required to park in my driveway. I have a two car garage and there are two (2) spaces in the driveway.

I don't employ any people and I am the sole owner of the business. I don't have any kitchen facilities and I don't cook any meals for my guests. I have a mini fridge and microwave in each room and offer instant oatmeal, granola bars, hot chocolate, tea, yogurt, and drinks. There's one bathroom for both bedrooms rented out.

My official check out time is 12:00pm and check in time is 3:00pmm but these hours are flexible. I book all my reservations through the Airbnb website and a 1099 form is processed to the IRS through Airbnb. I don't have specific operation hours, but I'm available 24 hours a day via internet or text. Most of my guests arrive in the evening and are gone early in the morning.

I'm an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and a single parent raising two daughters and grandchild whom are all living with me in my five bedroom home located at 3414 Hall Street, Rapid City, SD. My daughters and I are alcohol and drug free and express this in my Airbnb listing and do not allow; smoking, drugs or alcohol on the premises.

I haven't had one guest bother anyone in the neighborhood and there hasn't been excessive noise coming from my home. My guests usually come late and leave early as they are just passing through touring the Black Hills. I rarely associate with my neighbors and I mind my own business.

This is a small business located in my home where I reside and I assume it should be treated like any other at home business such as a Daycare, Home Salon, Pet care, etc. I don't want to be singled out and request that I be treated fairly along with all the other Airbnb users in Rapid City, SD.

Thank you,

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