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Dear Midgi;
Hope this can make it to the question/comment .
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Dear Members of the Task Force;

The Re-opening for many Small business in Juneau will depend squarely in the capability of paying the existing lease and rent contracts .

Some Comercial Landlords in Juneau have simply resisted to the possibility of a reasonable negotiation or to the Idea of Rent Mitigation ,as a result not only of the Pandemic but even more important the effects of the Cruise Industry for future revenues .

There are many Small Business like mine ,that have Invested in Juneau and do Business respecting the local laws and are an important tax lines for the City. We employ workers , pay High rents and property taxes , many of us add to the local economic structure . In the personal level , my attempts to negotiate or lower Rent with the landlord was replied with an unconscionable insensitive and draconian stand going so far to threaten to charge daily penalties .

Even so Alaska is now declared a State in Emergency .

So my question is ; What Kind guarantees and protection will the task force work so Small Business in Juneau do not have to close or quit doing business due to this important new reality . Not only the effects of the Pandemic but also the effect of the cruise line Industry ???

Many Governors in the Country have issue the NO EVICT previsions , does Alaska have the same under the state of Emergency Law ? This is an important component to give small business a negotiating leverage with Landlords.

Kind Regards;

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