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Housing in my neighborhood of Uptown on the north side of Chicago was precarious before the current Covid-19 pandemic, but now that we are approaching the third month of social isolation, my community is in a full blown state of crisis. Many people, like my husband, have lost jobs and have little or no savings to make up the income lost. Also, even if the curve flattens and people go back to working soon, It will be quite a while before they can catch up with the monthly payment of rent, mortgage, utilities, and taxes, especially since many of us pay more than 50% on rent and mortgage payment alone.

This is why I am in support of the Emergency Renter and Homeowner Protection Act HB5574 (Rep. Ramirez/Guzzardi) because it brings real relief to hundreds of thousands of my neighbors that are struggling to get by during the worst pandemic we've ever seen.

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