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## Hi Philly Water Department,

I am writing to express my concern and disappointment in the proposed water rate hike. Increasing residents' water bills while we are fighting a pandemic, stuck at home and many of us are out of work is callous, greedy and dangerous. People need more time to recover financially from this devastating year before you raise water rates. We need to make sure that residents have access to water for drinking, showering, handwashing, laundry etc. at home which is crucial from a public health standpoint in helping Philly lower its COVID-19 rates.

Thank you for your time. Mary Ferrigno