

# **PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS**

Below is a sign that should be cut out and posted on the **inside** of your door.

## **IF SOMEONE IS AT THE DOOR AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHO IT IS:**

**If you are not a resident,** tell the person that they do not have permission to enter and to wait at the door while you get a resident.

**Once a resident arrives:** (try to have a witness with you)

1. Ask the visitor to identify him/herself.
2. Ask if they are **POLICE** or **WORKING WITH OR FOR THE POLICE.**

If **YES**, ask if they have a search warrant.  
If they **DO NOT**, tell them politely, but firmly, that they  
**DO NOT HAVE CONSENT TO ENTER  
THE PREMISES UNDER ANY  
CIRCUMSTANCES.**

You then have two options:

1. Offer to have a (sober/over 21) resident talk to the officer **OUTSIDE.** Remain calm.
2. You may also close the door and stop all communication with the officer, no matter what they tell you otherwise.

**REMEMBER  
IF THE COPS DO HAVE A WARRANT,  
DO NOT SAY ANYTHING!**

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