

- BOS Consideration of Mendocino Heritage Initiative

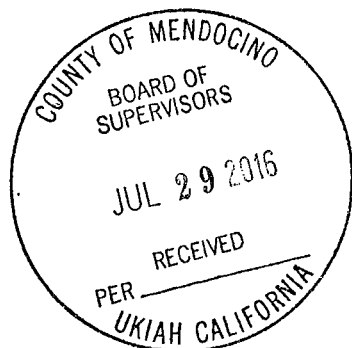
From: Sarah Bodnar <sarah.bodnar@gmail.com>
To: <bos@co.mendocino.ca.us>
Date: 7/29/2016 9:58 AM
Subject: BOS Consideration of Mendocino Heritage Initiative
Attachments: BOSLetter7.29.16.docx

Hi:

The attached letter is submitted for consideration by the BOS at the 8/2 meeting.

Thank you!

Sarah Bodnar



July 29, 2016

Dear Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino Heritage Initiative of 2016 is pleased to present our voter-supported initiative for consideration by the Board for adoption. The Mendocino Heritage Initiative offers the most efficient and responsive path toward a safer, regulated cannabis industry.

Endorsed by California Growers Association, Small Farmers Association, and Mendocino Cannabis Industry Association, this initiative represents thousands of Mendocino County's smallholder cultivators who are committed to participating in the next era of a regulated cannabis industry, for the greater good of our entire community.

What the Mendocino Heritage Act means for the people of Mendocino:

- **Bridge to Regulation:** The Mendocino Heritage Act will serve as a crucial bridge policy to bring Mendocino County into alignment with the provisions of the state's MMRSA policy.
- **Curbing the Black Market:** It immediately imposes comprehensive regulation and oversight for every aspect of the cannabis industry including cultivation, nurseries, manufacturing, testing, processing, distribution, transportation and dispensary operations, without delay.
- **Amendable:** This legislation is flexible and the Board has broad ability to amend it over time after June 2018.
- **No Farmer Left Behind:** The Heritage Act protects small farmers and *guarantees* that permits will be available for cultivation for the 2017 season, ensuring environmental oversight and helping to curb unregulated activity.

We urge you to vote for the adoption of the Mendocino Heritage Act to help protect and regulate Mendocino County's cannabis industry. Delaying the implementation of a comprehensive regulatory cannabis framework present significant risks to the economy, the environment and public safety in our communities.

Respectfully,

Sarah Bodnar
Mendocino Heritage Initiative of 2016

- Re: BOS Consideration of Mendocino Heritage Initiative

From: Noel Manners <noelmanners@gmail.com>
To: Sarah Bodnar <sarah.bodnar@gmail.com>
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Subject: Re: BOS Consideration of Mendocino Heritage Initiative
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Dear Sarah,
Great letter! Well put and concise. I especially like the line "no farmer left behind".
Is this the letter that you mentioned was authored by Hezekiah? If so, much thanks to him.

With their concurrence, might I suggest that the letter be signed by the steering committee members as well.

Regards,

Noel

On Fri, Jul 29, 2016 at 9:58 AM, Sarah Bodnar <sarah.bodnar@gmail.com> wrote:

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