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Hello All.

We have read the memos from MCA and the Origins Council.

We wholeheartedly agree with what these memos contain and support approval of the Amnesty program as well as amending the local building code.

While the current estimate is 9,000 existing cultivators in Mendocino County; coupled with the fact that more people have withdrawn their application than have received them; we strongly support the Amnesty program as a means to incentivize the existing operators as the regulations and the ordinance has and is still being modified.

The building code regarding cannabis operations has been interpreted throughout the State in a very onerous manner and the local revisions are sorely needed. Mendocino has the unique opportunity to pave the way for new building regulations that address the cannabis industry (especially the small operator).

Since there are no regulations regarding cannabis operators, the building requirements turn to the seemingly closest kind of operation... HEMP. Hemp may be a relative of the cannabis plant but the operations are vastly different. Susan and I would be happy to be a part of a working group to help modify the local building code in an effort to make them more reasonable and reflect common sense instead of an arbitrary stab at something that doesn't work for the cannabis industry.

Thank you for your attention to these important matters

Regards

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We are very proud to be able to say that all of our medicines are of the highest quality and have been grown and produced using only environmentally friendly and organic methods. Being "certified organic" is not possible for us because of federal regulations and definitions; however, we respect and voluntarily adhere to those standards set forth by these regulatory agencies. Unfortunately we have been unable to afford and/or comply with the regulations as they exist today. Consequently we cannot acquire a license to produce these medicines.

Mendocino County was the first place in California to successfully establish a program of regulations and inspections for the cultivation of medical cannabis. Participation in this program was voluntary. We have been actively on the forefront of fine tuning and developing the current laws, ordinances, and regulations, working with legislators, regulators, and their agencies on a State and Local level.