To Whom it may concern,

My name is Winter Wilson and I own Serenity Salon in Willits, California which was opened on 1/3/2020. I employ 3 other stylists & have one apprentice who is working to obtain her cosmetology license by studying & working under my tutelage.

I am writing to discuss all of our situations and hopefully the survival of my business.

As you are aware, not only I, but most residents of this county, have been affected by the closure due to COVID-19.

There is the possibility of reopening some business and I want to take the opportunity to implore with you the need to reopen cosmetology businesses as soon as possible.

Serenity salon is held to a high standard of cleanliness. We use barbicide to ensure that we meet the state requirements. However, we pride ourselves in knowing that since we have opened we exceed the state requirements by sanitizing more than is required as customer health & safety is our main concern.

If the salon was allowed to reopen, we would open with limited clients allowed in at once & strict sanitizing standards as we already have in place. We would wear gloves, (as per usual) and also wear masks. We would ask any and all clients who are feeling ill to cancel their appointments. We would take temperatures, exactly as the county is doing, of all people who are entering the salon.

My stylists & myself are struggling. I am so concerned that my salon will close permanently with this shut down. As my salon is new, I do not qualify for any grants or loans. My stylists cannot receive unemployment & are facing homelessness. By you allowing us to reopen, soon, would allow us to service our clients SAFELY and ensure that my business & staff can continue to provide needed services & allow my staff to not lose everything.

Thank you for your consideration~ Sincerely,

Winter Wilson, Serenity Salon