

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I would like to speak in favor of maintaining our local Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance.

Much time and effort went into this ordinance and in many ways it preserves our environment and the rural character our county. The quality of life here is one of our greatest assets.

I am dismayed by the proliferation of large white greenhouses here and there throughout the landscape, and often wonder if they are all approved under this ordinance. But removing this ordinance or modifying it to allow more land to be used for this type of industrial cultivation across the County would be a mistake for us and for future generations.

Quality of life comes at a cost, we are all aware. Why choose to voluntarily degrade it? I understand the implementation of this ordinance has been difficult, especially with the limited planning staff. Using a new document and applying it to existing situations, is never an easy task. But much has been done.

In times such as these with the COVID-19 coming to our county, it's no time to make radical changes.

Please respect the good sense of all those who worked hard on this ordinance and let it be implemented as is for the moment.

With respect for all your efforts as supervisors,
a concerned citizen,

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