

Members of the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission

It has come to our attention that discussion will be ensuing at the next meeting concerning expansion of cannabis cultivation in neighborhoods. This is the same discussion the BOS had in February 2020 when many of us in neighborhoods wrote in opposition to expansion of cannabis cultivation that would have an adverse effect on the quality of life we now have.

With all due respect, you must respect the needs of all of your constituents, and not continue pushing the rights of cannabis growers at the expense of those who don't want to have cannabis grown unchecked in backyards a few feet from our patios, childrens' play spaces - to have the stench invade our quality of air. While we respect individual rights to grow a small quantity of cannabis for personal use, we read the police reports of assaults, burglary and home invasions caused by larger cannabis grows. Please don't push crime into our neighborhoods by allowing unchecked cannabis grows.

We are tired of fighting to protect our property, our air and our safety while the BOS discusses enlarging cannabis in our neighborhoods. We envision increased crime, illegal activity and lack of enforcement if there is expansion of cannabis growth **IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS!** It confounds us that you keep revisiting this and we are losing confidence in your ability to act in the interest of the neighborhoods of Mendocino county.

In 2019 / 2020, we spent months of our time and energy assisting the neighborhoods of Bisby Ave/Fracchia Lane lobby in opposition to a commercial cannabis operation in our backyards. We felt that you understood and respected our neighborhoods and the families who live here. We felt that you heard us and voted to protect our neighborhood.

Please hear us now when we respectfully ask that you continue to protect our rights as neighborhoods, families, taxpayers and voters.

Thank you  
Colleen and Mickey Mack