Dear Mendocino County Board of Supervisors,

We are disturbed to see the changes in the Final Draft of Item 3b which removes cannabis cultivation protections from our rural residential Neighborhoods. If this is a new final draft, when were we and our neighborhood able to weigh in with our input? You are not representing all your constituents, at least, not us in WoodyGlen, an making up new regulations on your own.

Agenda item 3b would remove protections for neighborhoods.

 Allows Expansion of Medical and Recreational Cannabis in neighborhoods:

100 sq.ft becomes 6 plants. 200 sq. ft. becomes 12 plants

- Removes Setbacks for neighboring grows
- Removes requirement for recreational cannabis being grown in a structure

We spent hours meeting with BOS members in our neighborhood and with attorneys at previous BOS meetings. At the BOS meetings, it was voted that we could live in our cherished residential neighborhood without the interference of cannabis and its problematic issues. We have lived in this WoodyGlen neighborhood since 1980 and find this new regulation to be developed without a democratic process and allowing for our input. If you want to hold a public office then represent all the people in your district.

If the restrictions on square footage and the ban on outdoor growing in our neighborhood is moved, it will have the effect of eliminating the Sunset and Exclusion zones. All of our work going through proper democratic processes and numerous meetings would have been for nothing. Please maintain the current protections already voted on and passed in place.

We appreciate that the Board has consistently stood up for neighborhoods and ask you to do so again.

Sincerely,

Pat Arnett and Dale Spring