

February 24, 2021

Board of Supervisors
County of Mendocino
501 Low Gap Road
Ukiah, CA 95482

Reference: 1/25/2021 BOS Agenda, Item 3b

Dear Members of the Board,

Frankly, we are having difficulty understanding why these modifications to the Cannabis cultivation code are being considered. All this Cannabis in the neighborhoods issue was addressed by the Board of Supervisors, and ruled on, less than a year ago. We certainly have not changed our collective opinions. The only the only thing that has changed is you have some new faces on the Board that may be amenable to relaxing some of the regulations. Let's be clear you are there to represent us, and the reciprocal is not necessarily true.

After considerable discussion by the public and the Board eleven months ago a vote was taken, and we believed the entire Cannabis cultivation issue in the neighborhoods had been settled. This vote gave us cause to relax our anguish knowing our voices were heard. Now, by this agenda item 3b we realize we are expected to mobilize again for the same reason. Relaxing these regulations will have the effect of eliminating the Sunset and exclusion zones. We have worked too hard for those protections and are not willing to give up our neighborhood quality of life.

Last year at this time we made the following argument when we were pleading our case. We have lived in this neighborhood for 45 years respecting our neighbors. Why are we having to deal with this issue? We never dreamed about this while raising our children. Please, protect this neighborhood so children can run playfully, without consequences. This appeal was germane last year, and even more so now because the younger families are beginning to move into the neighborhood.

We ask that you stand up and represent our neighborhood wishes by maintaining the current protections that are in place. Please reinforce your commitment from early 2020 and disregard any requested amendments to the status quo.

Sincerely,

John & Karen Moon