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Fwd: Ordinance 4968

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RE: Tuesday - Item #24

Dear Sir's/Madam Supervisor,

I am writing with concern with the proposed change to the ordinance, specifically Section 2B. To start with, under Federal law, marijuana cultivation of any kind is illegal. California has taken upon itself to "legalize" medical marijuana. That in itself has created an environment that opens the door to all types of marijuana cultivation under the cloak that it is for "medical" purposes. It's a scam!

Look at Mendocino County. If you spend any time driving through the county all you will see are greenhouses and high fences, the Sheriff has even started selling tags to grow plants legally (?). There's really that many sick people in Mendo?, I don't think so.

If you open that door, (even a 100 sq feet), you will start something that is irreversable when it gets out of hand. To start with, note what little medical assessment that it takes to get a recommendation from a doctor (?). Now add the fact that 100 sq ft will be stretched as far as they feel that they can get away with because no one has the resources to monitor these folks. The EDSO does not have the manpower to police these grows.

Next, add in the criminal element (robberies, assaults, etc) that adjoining counties regularly experiece as these "medical" grows are ripped off. As a resident of EDC, I don't want any of that in my neighborhood or my family in the potential crossfire.

I recently retired with 35 yrs in law enforcement, much of it spent in eradication efforts that few have experienced. The "pro medical marijuana" folks will feed you all kinds of arguements, but in the end they are drug users that are looking for a way to legalize the use of their drug of preference.

Please ban all cultivation, don't open that door. Send the growers to another county. Don't open EDC to more criminal elements.

Thank you for your consideration!

Robert McLaughlin

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