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Subject: Cannibus Proposed microbusiness comments / CasaHumboldt for June 13 commision meeting

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To: Humboldt County Commission / Planning Department / Public comments

Honorable Supervisors,

We are Casahumboldt . A small agricultural producer applying for a 10,000 square foot canopy with the county . We have been in continuous production since 1976 . The microbusiness model/ license is CRUCIAL to Humboldt County . We require all elements of :

- 1. Bud and Breakfast visits
- 2. cultivation
- 3. self distribution
- 4. onsite consumption
- 5. Onsite Sales
- 6. Virtual Dispensary / Sales direct to consumer
- 7. Onsite maufacturer of edibles and extracts used for direct sales.

Here is why this is critical to the Survival of the small microfarmers . Under the existing Distribution model , the agricultural producers have no control over market pricing, and distribution. Therefore , with escalating costs in the agriculture world as a result of :

- 1. compliance / seed to sale tracking / licensing /
- 2. taxes / county / state / federal
- 3. escalating costs of goods
- 4. Decreasing cost of the commodatized product and increased state production .
- 5. large scale production houses with one to 6 acres thruout the state

Our ability to "Survive" will be directly related to targeting consumers and being able to sell above wholesale pricing directly to our customers both onsite and thru distribution direct to our consumers. The wine industry follows the same model and has allowed the small botique producer to survive by increasing the price point direct to consumers. The state has indicated a similar license and will certainly look to humboldt county for its legislation on this license type. Lets save the emerald triangle. If we disseminate this license type and help our people understand how this model can benfit them, many of the farmers will see the value of becoming complaint.

At this time, many many long time producers are very disenchanted with all the expenditure necessary to become compliant. However, if we can develop a model and show them how they can sell above wholesale, then, we will see a giant increase in participation.

With Kindest Regards,

The Casa Humboldt Team



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