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To whom many concern,

My name is Alex Roney. I am writing in support of Karl Benemann and his proposed project PLN-2021-17384. I was raised in Petrolia and have known Karl for as long as I can remember and have always known Karl to be a reasonable and caring community member. I own a neighboring cultivation and nursery on chambers road in petrolia (631 chambers road) and believe that Karl's proposed project is an important project for Humboldt county cannabis.

Humboldt counties craft cannabis is losing a battle of scale in the cannabis market, and having farmers like Karl who are choosing to invest in this counties process and community is our only hope to continue in this market. We have seen too many farmers and community members leave to other counties where permitting is easier and more readily available. We need good community members like Karl to be able to have the breadth and flexibility in their permits, in order to effectively adapt to an ever changing market.

Having gone through the Humboldt county cannabis permitting process myself, I am in full support or Karl applying for every possibility that he is entitled to with his property. I made the mistake of only permitting the minimal amount of square footage and not obtaining all the licenses I could on my property, and now am faced with an overwhelming process in order to expand my cultivation area. Just because something is proposed doesn't mean it will be done, but it's important for farmers to secure that privilege from the county to do it so that they can respond to changing market or environmental conditions when they occur.

Karl's project has the opportunity to create jobs and have a positive impact on other surrounding cannabis support facilities such as our neighboring nursery. I have faith that Karl will take community concerns into consideration when creating his project and put those minds at ease who are concerned. Please take this vote of approval into consideration.

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