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Subject: The Rabbit Club

Mr. Lenart:

You have, we understand, been getting feedback against plans for The Rabbit Club to operate a medical marijuana dispensary at the corner of Jefferson and South Main Street: we were on the circulation list from one of the Ashley Mews owners who received a post card concerning the potential development, though we apparently reside outside the border of the requirement for notification from your offices.

My wife and I are both semi-retired physicians who reside in Ann Arbor part-time, mostly in the warmer months; we live in Denver, near one of our sons and his wife (also both physicians) in the colder months. While we are not involved in the prescription of cannabis products, we understand the need for and the utility of such products. In Denver, there is hardly a two-block area of the downtown area – in which we reside – that lacks a cannabis products dispensary, most of which are either recreational or a combination of that and medical. We have seen no disruption of normal activities, and real estate values are clearly absolutely unaffected.

We are puzzled by what we see as the somewhat uninformed resistance, unless it is the case that those opposed have a serious misconception concerning just who patronizes such businesses; before we moved to our current location, we lived in a condominium on Liberty and saw no untoward effects of the medical dispensary there. It's not certain we shall enter into the discourse here in the Mews, though if asked, we'll certainly be honest about our support of any legal facility which affords those in need with the medication they need for bettering their lives.

Sincerely,

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