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Certified Mail

Re: Application #10590 (Cannibus Corner), 9735 Mud Bay Road, Ketchikan, AK

I am writing this letter on behalf of my 84 year old Mom, Charlotte Ames, who resides at 9782 Totem Bight Road, Ketchikan, AK. She has lived on Totem Bight Road for over 50 years, and is a fourth generation Alaskan. She is distraught regarding the Proposed Site for a Marijuana Retail Store in her neighborhood. This is a neighborhood, which is not zoned residential, but has sadly and slowly transformed from a great place to live to a Tourist/Industrial area.

I have attached a map which shows the location of the Proposed Site in relationship to her home and the State Park/Gift Shop. The Owner of the Property for the Proposed Site is also Owner of the Gift Shop next to Totem Bight State Historical Park. She has the following concerns:

-The Applicant for this Application is the Daughter and Son in Law of the Gift Shop Owner, adjacent to the Proposed Site. She is concerned that the Gift Shop will be promoting the Marijuana Retail Store.

-The address for the Proposed Site is misleading as being on Mud Bay Road. This is really an extension of Totem Bight Road. The Tour Buses drive up Mud Bay Road as they are exiting the State Park/Gift Shop. Is this really the image we want to have associated with one of Alaska's most treasured Monuments?

-If the Tourist visiting the State Park/Gift Shop, are consuming Marijuana at the Proposed Site, what controls are in place to limit them from bringing the Marijuana on the Cruise Ships and Planes, which travel through International waters?

-Will the Tour Buses be taking Tourist to the Proposed Site as part of the Tour? If so, where will they park? If not, will the Tourist be walking up Totem Bight Road to the Proposed Site, next to the Tour Buses, on a primitive dirt road, with no sidewalks? If so, this would appear to be a safety concern.

-Although, not related to the issue at hand, the Tour Buses have, for many years, parked at the Gift Shop, in the State Right of Way, for Totem Bight Road, which is also a safety concern.

Please note that other neighbors voiced concerns at the local hearing with the Borough.

We hope that you will decline this application. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Blue - Mud Bight Rd.
Yellow = Totem Bight Rd.
O = proposed site for Cannibus Corner
X = Alaska Totem Trading Gift/Currios Shop 9809 Totem Bight Rd.
≡ = Totem Bight Park