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Alaska Alcohol and Marijuana Board
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To Alaska Alcohol and Marijuana Board,

Hello. My name is Holli Burrell and I am a concerned citizen that lives nearby a plot of land that is being turned into a marijuana shop. I have lived on and off in this area for the last 10 years and it saddens me as a parent and neighbor to see this take place. We are a retired military family that came to Alaska 16 years ago and decided to stay because of the great community that Fairbanks was, and still is to raise a family.

I have many reasons this saddens me. First, I enjoy running through our neighborhood down to where this plot of land lays because in the morning I like to run past the young people getting ready to head off to school that are waiting for their bus. Yes, there is a bus stop within 50 yards or less from this shop, plus another 3 or 4 on the same road as the shop, less then a quarter of a mile away. The bus stop is on a road that leads to a trailer park where families live that do not have much. I have seen young elementary children, middle schoolers, and high schoolers who are partially dressed for the weather conditions we have. I have seen concerned moms standing at that bus stop with their little children because of many people coming and going out of that trailer park. I am sadden when the young man who owns this shop to be, already knows the people in the trailer park are on meth and would not be interested in the marijuana. These children come out of homes that are tough already and do not have much. What do you think a shop like this within yards of their parent's front door does for them? This young man does not live in the trailer park and see what life is like in harsh, and sometimes, abusive situations.

Secondly, I am against the marijuana shop because I am someone who is involved in many lives that have tried to get away from it because of what it has both done to their lives and their children. They struggle with drug abuse and alcohol. The children are always hurt and the children turn into adults that continue the vicious cycle that started out of a mild drug, supposedly. Unless adults choose to "think/act as adults" and make choices for our community with the best interest of all of our community, especially the children, then the cycle continues.

Sincerely,

Holli Burrell

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Zoning Permit Number: 17738

This permit is issued based on the lot dimensions and zone applicable to the lot on the date of issuance. If prior to construction, the zone or the lot dimensions change, this permit will no longer be valid and a new permit must be obtained.

General Information

Date: 5/1/2017
Telephone:
Applicant: GARY EVANS DBA GRASS STATION 49
Cell Phone:
Mailing Address: 814 GOLDMINE TRAIL, FAIRBANKS AK
Email:

Property Description: 0237019 LOT 11 KASALEK EAST ADDN
Site Address: 665 RAINBOW DR

Existing Use: Vacant Land Structure: Vacant land

Proposed Use: Commercial Structure: Retail marijuana store : 520 sq.ft.

Dwelling Units: 0 **New:** 0 **Existing:** 0

Building Height (stories): 1

Total Area of Structure: 520 SF **New:** 520 SF **Existing:** 0

Lot Size: 44,692 SF

Est. Construction Cost:

Note: The proposed marijuana retail store meets the setback requirements in GC zone.

S 2/3 Lot 2, Block 10, Reno Subdivision (317 Old Chena Hot Springs Road) contains a church building (Country Bible Chapel). The proposed marijuana retail store meets the one hundred feet FNSB buffer distance requirement (FNSBC 18.96.240.A.3.c) measured from the outer boundary of the principal church building (FNSBC 18.96.240.A.3.d).