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Marijuana Control Board
Director McConnell
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Re: East Rip License No. 13382 – Public Objection from Jacob Reed

Dear MCB Members, Director McConnell & AMCO Enforcement Division:

This correspondence is submitted on behalf of License No. 13382 in response to the public objection from Jacob Reed received to the retail marijuana store application.

East Rip retail store will abide by all state and local laws while maintaining a professional environment for all customers and business owners in the area. As mentioned in previous response letters, the area that Mr. Reed refers to as a "soccer field" is simply an open grass lot. There are no soccer nets or lines for a soccer field and it is not designated by the City of Kenai (who owns the land) as a park or a soccer field. Additionally, the owner of the Arby's Restaurant mentioned in the letter of objection, is leasing the proposed premises to my client, Mr. Tunseth, for use as a marijuana retail store and is fully aware of the intended use.

The exterior and interior of the retail store will be equipped with a robust security system monitored by a third-party security alarm company. The exterior of the building will be kept well-lit to deter criminal activity and to further aid in the surveillance of the property. The security requirements for a marijuana establishment far exceed that of a liquor licensed establishment and my client intends to strictly adhere to these requirements.

All marijuana and marijuana products within the retail store will be either pre-packaged in smell-proof, heat sealed packaging (not to be opened on store premises) or sealed in glass jars with screw top lids. Additionally, consumption of marijuana and marijuana products will be strictly prohibited

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at East Rip. Marijuana odors will not affect the nearby businesses. Furthermore, Ryan has an odor plan that will address any potential odor issues.

The public notice was posted by my client on the front door of the proposed retail store and was in compliance with state regulations pertaining to public notice as was the newspaper advertisement that was published for three consecutive weeks in the Peninsula Clarion.

Ryan Tunseth intends to operate his retail marijuana store in compliance with all local and state laws and in a professional manner that does not take away from surrounding businesses, but adds to it. Many of the shopping center's established customers that Ryan has spoken with say they will continue to shop here and may even come more often after East Rip is open.

Respectfully Submitted,

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