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Dear Maryland Legislators:

I am writing in regards to the Hemp Farm on Broadway Road in LUTHERVILLE. I purposely capitalized Lutherville as this is not a agricultural area but a residential area of Lutherville/ Falls Road Corridor. This area is full of wonderful homes and neighborhoods, high cost of living and extremely high resale of homes in the area. This is all being put in a precarious position due to the stench of marijuana from the farm on Broadway Road. When we have visitors, it has been embarrassing to explain why the entire area smells of marijuana. My daughter had a birthday party of 90 kids in September encompassing 12 private and public schools in the area. I stood in the circle as kids were picked up and dropped off and had to answer the same embarrassing question over and over of "what is that smell?"

The inside of my car during late summer and fall took on the odor and the inside of my house even with the windows shut smelled like marijuana. We wanted to keep the windows open this fall for fresh area but were no longer able due to the penetrating smell. This is becoming the legal standard of nuisance and devaluation of our property. I have no intentions on this continuing without taking on the fight. I paid a lot of money for my house and we work extremely hard to afford this house and our lifestyle not for it to be ruined in this fashion.

Obviously, when this was being considered, the smell, health effects and residential area was not taken into consideration. Hemp as a crop is a wonderful item to be grown and I have nothing against the growing of the crop, but outside a residential area. To place these farms out in Hereford, the Eastern Shore, Western Maryland, Carroll County in the farm areas would be wonderful but not in Lutherville.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Adele Louise Brockmeyer