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Dear Maryland Legislators:

I am writing in regards to the Hemp Farm on Broadway Road in LUTHERVILLE. I know you have received a lot of correspondence and input from the area. Our neighborhood, Braeside, is tremendously concerned. I would respectfully suggest that you inform the body drafting the regulations that I am not threatening, I am promising, litigation against both the owner of this parcel and the State of Maryland if this farm continues to grow hemp. It is totally inappropriate and is affecting my right to quiet enjoyment, it creates a nuisance, and is devaluing the area properties.

As you are well aware, this is not an agricultural area - but a residential area of the Lutherville/Falls Road Corridor. This area is full of wonderful homes and neighborhoods. The properties bring high prices and retain a high resale value. That value and these neighborhoods are being put in a precarious position due to the stench of marijuana from the farm at 1810 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 two weeks ago 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 is now taking on the odor and the inside of my house - even with the windows shut - now smells like marijuana. We wanted to keep the windows open this fall for fresh air, but are no longer able to do so due to the penetrating smell. This farm has created a nuisance in the practical and legal sense of the word. There is a strong argument that property values will and are suffering due to the smell.

Obviously, when this legislation was being considered, the smell and effect on the residential area was not taken into consideration. Hemp as a crop is a wonderful, environmentally friendly product, and I have nothing against the growing of the crop, but it must be done outside of a residential area.

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

Very Truly Yours,

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