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Dear Maryland State Senators and Representatives:

We are residents of Baltimore County, MD at 11708 Clairmoor Road, Lutherville Maryland 21093. Our home is located less than 1 mile from the 1810 Broadway Road hemp farm.

We investigated our property this summer for a suspected invasion of skunks due to a new malodorous outdoor air problem. The condition persisted throughout the summer and into the fall, and was especially strong in the evenings, until the hemp harvesting season ended.

Driving home on Woodland Road to Broadway Road, several miles from the farm, we were able to detect the odor of hemp each evening. We again thought that the odor was due to a skunk infestation, as the stench was overbearing. The condition cleared this winter as there is no hemp harvesting occurring during the winter season.

We are petitioning that the farming of hemp be located at least three to four miles from residential neighborhoods, as the air quality conditions are so poor that our families and our pets are not able to go outside for the summer and fall during the hemp growing and harvesting season.

We are forced to drive to another location to take an outdoor walk during the hemp farming months due to the poor air quality and awful odor in our neighborhood.

Please consider our pleas for protecting our health and our property values. We moved to Lutherville to enjoy good air quality and a healthy lifestyle. We implore you to please vote to locate hemp farms at least several miles from residential neighborhoods for health and safety reasons.

Regards,

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