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The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Emergency Regulations for Serving Size, Age, and Intoxicating Cannabinoids for Industrial Hemp – SUPPORT

Dear Governor Newsom,

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors fully supports the emergency regulations announced by the Governor's office and proposed by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to regulate intoxicating hemp products in California.

The County backs an enforcement framework for intoxicating hemp products, which are currently being sold at gas stations, liquor stores, and smoke shops throughout the state. These products pose significant risks to public health and safety and undermine the legal and regulated cannabis market.

The proposed regulations would stipulate that industrial hemp food, beverage, and dietary products intended for human consumption must contain no detectable THC or other intoxicating cannabinoids per serving. Furthermore, the regulations would establish a minimum age of 21 to purchase hemp products and limit the number of servings of hemp products to five per package. These emergency regulations are intended to bring the sale of hemp products more in line with restrictions currently observed in the California legal cannabis market.

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors extends its full support for the emergency regulations due to these reasons and expresses gratitude for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Maureen Mulheren, Chair Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

CC: The Honorable Jim Wood, California State Assembly, 2nd District The Honorable Mike McGuire, Member of the California State Assembly Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

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