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To the Members of Clearview Township,

As a family, we arrived in Clearview in 2008. We moved here for the spectacular natural beauty of the Niagara Escarpment and everything Creemore has to offer. We have spent the last 13 years deeply invested in the well-being of Clearview Township for many reasons, but today we are extremely concerned about the future of the place we call home. During our time as residents of Clearview we have owned 5 properties, both in town and in rural areas. We have dedicated our business interests, personal finances and family legacy to the small town of Creemore. We have brought international media coverage and marketing support to Clearview through 3 HGTV series and 4 digital TV series, and have directly contributed to significant increases in property values across many areas of the township due to the projects we have shared with viewers in over 100 countries internationally. As residents of the south end of the 6th line we have been extremely concerned and disturbed by the unregulated cannabis operations that are running rampant in our neighbourhood. What used to be a quaint country village is now overrun with the consistent stench of unregulated marijuana wafting over the bridge in Glen Huron. I am shocked and disappointed that the small rural villages I have spent more than a decade trying to support and uplift is now becoming a haven for cannabis operations. This is not what drew us to Clearview and if it continues will certainly prevent us from investing further.

I am writing to Council as a resident committed to the preservation of the agricultural and rural landscape, culture and economy to express my strong support for Council to protect Clearview's most valuable assets by passing a by-law that regulates the cannabis production industry firmly enough to prevent widespread cultivation of cannabis, and to require larger-scale industrial processing and structures to be located only in Agricultural Industrial zones and to be subject to specific and individual approval. If Clearview does not take control over this industry, I am fearful it will become an open invitation to producers who are not able to establish themselves in the many Ontario municipalities that have more strictly regulated cannabis production.

I am in unequivocal support of a strong by-law to control cannabis production in Clearview, particularly the confinement of facilities in special industrial zones, and restriction of the size and placement of outdoor growing.

Please ensure that Clearview can continue as a celebration of the natural environment and the exquisite beauty of Clearview and say NO TO CANNIBIS! It is not the legacy our township needs.

Sincerely,

Sarah Richardson

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