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Dear Members of the City Council,

I'm writing to express my strong support for the proposed ordinance that would ban the sale of hemp-based THC products to individuals under the age of 21. I appreciate the committee's work in advancing this measure and urge the full council to approve it.

This ordinance is a responsible and necessary step to protect the well-being of our community—especially our youth and vulnerable. Hemp-derived THC products, while technically legal, can have strong psychoactive effects especially with minors not aware of the side effects or consequences. Without proper regulation, they can be easily accessed by teenagers and young adults, putting them at risk for impaired development, poor decision-making, and long-term health consequences.

Requiring age verification, restricting sales near places where children gather, and mandating warning signage are all common-sense measures that bring these products in line with how we regulate other substances with similar effects. It sends a clear message that while adults may choose to use these products, our community is committed to keeping them out of the hands of minors.

I encourage the council to move forward with this ordinance. It strikes a reasonable balance between personal freedom and public safety and shows that we take youth health and responsible access seriously.

Thank you for your leadership and service.

Sincerely,

Matthew Rumde