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**BALLOT MEASURE PRIMARY ARGUMENT SUBMISSION FORM**

A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form. In addition to the information provided here, the argument shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) who submitted it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association or citizens/organization, the name of the association or organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Primary Argument in **FAVOR** of: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Argument **AGAINST**: Marijuana - Cre! Retail Sale of Cannabis

1.	Name: <u>Consistors Against Commercial Marijuana</u>	Title (optional):
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	Address: <u>Half Moon Bay CA 94019</u>	
	Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <u>8/12/18</u>
2.	Name: <u>Jim Williams</u>	Title (optional):
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	Address: <u>Half Moon Bay CA 94019</u>	
	Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <u>8/12/18</u>
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5.	Name:	Title (optional):
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**With their signature, signers state that they have read the argument and believe it to not be false or misleading.**

**PLEASE ATTACH A HARD COPY OF THE ARGUMENT TO THIS FORM. AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE ARGUMENT IN WORD FORMAT IS ALSO REQUIRED. THIS MUST BE SENT TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE, OR YOU MAY SUBMIT A FLASH DRIVE WITH THE WORD DOCUMENT.**

Argument Against Measure \_\_\_ (re: Retail Sales of Cannabis Products)

Allowing the retail sale of marijuana products in HMB will have adverse effects on traffic safety, 16  
community safety and our youth. Vote NO on retail sales of cannabis products in HMB. 31

Marijuana dispensaries are attractive targets for criminals because they're often cash only operations 44  
and carry valuable inventory. In the last two years, numerous dispensaries in California – including one 59  
in Pacifica – were robbed, sometimes at gunpoint. A 3-year study in Denver found that legal marijuana 76  
shops are linked to higher volume of property crime in adjacent areas. The layout of our town makes it 95  
highly likely that marijuana retail outlets will be located very close to residential neighborhoods, which 110  
could expose residents to criminal activity. 116


Retail cannabis stores on the coast will also increase the risk of accidents and traffic fatalities on the 134  
coast since visitors to our community will be purchasing and consuming these products and then driving 150  
while impaired. 152

Risk to youth: They will be exposed to marijuana marketing through social media and promotional 167  
events sponsored by the marijuana industry. Studies have shown that, with repeated exposure, their 181  
perceptions of this drug's harmfulness will decrease and more will be likely to try it as well as try new 201  
methods of marijuana use such as edibles and vaping at a younger age. Some will become habitual users 219  
leading to lower academic performance and impaired cognitive abilities. 228

Access: Some have said they need retail storefronts to have access to marijuana. However, there are 244  
several dispensaries in Pacifica and dozens of delivery services operating in San Mateo County, providing 257  
convenient access, often at lower cost than storefronts. Pot stores are not necessary to allow personal 273  
adult consumption. 275

Please vote NO on retail marijuana stores in HMB! Protect our community! 287

Coastsiders Against Commercial Marijuana

  
Anne Martin, President

  
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