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Hon. Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, New Haven Board of Alders
165 Church Street
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Dear President Walker-Myers:

On August 1, 2022 the New Haven Board of Alders approved an amendment to the zoning ordinance to establish criteria for permitting adult use cannabis establishments. This milestone piece of legislation permitting the use of recreational cannabis for adults, there has been an increase in smoke shops throughout our City. Smoke shops are not properly regulated in our zoning code.

For your consideration, I submit an Order of the New Haven Board of Alders concerning a working group related to amending the New Haven Zoning Ordinance Section 42 h. Use regulations for business and industrial districts and personal goods to add a use category for smoke shops. Create section 42.2, which restricts the sale of smoking paraphernalia.

The City Plan Administrator has suggested that in preparation for this item to be heard, a working group be created to the details of this ordinance amendment to add smoke shops to the code. The working group should include but not be limited to staff from City Plan, Economic Development, LCI and Corporation Counsel.

Thank you for considering this communication.

Sincerely,

Richard Furlow
Hon. Richard Furlow
Alder, Ward 27

