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Senator Peter Harckham
188 State Street, Legislative Office Building
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Albany, NY 12247

Assemblyman David Buchwald
New York State Assembly
Legislative Office Building 331
Albany, NY 12248

Re: Recreational Marijuana

Dear Senator Harckham & Assemblyman Buchwald:

As New York appears to be moving ahead with efforts to legalize recreational marijuana use, we would like to share our thoughts and concerns:

- Sales should be banned to those under age 21
- Local municipalities should be allowed to ban or restrict marijuana sales in their communities
- Local governments should be in charge of permitting the dispensaries & farms in their communities
- New rules should fall under the state's Clean Indoor Air Act to ensure children and other vulnerable populations are not exposed to marijuana use or secondhand smoke
- Do not allow home production
- Resources should be available for public information so our residents understand potential health & safety impacts

If this legislation goes forward, the impacts are going to be felt at the local level. We respectfully request that you to consider our suggestions.

Very Truly Yours,

The New Castle Town Board