District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
PO Box 15020
Washington, DC 20003

October 9, 2026

Via email and the ANC Resolutions website

RE: Support for the Medical Cannabis Process Improvement Amendment Act of 2025

Dear Members of the Council,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed[1] meeting on October 8, 2026, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 4-0 (with four (4) Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter urging the DC Council to support the Medical Cannabis Process Improvement Amendment Act of 2025.

As currently written, DC law doesn't clearly prohibit licensed cannabis retailers from locating in close proximity of daycare providers or other child development facilities, despite the law clearly prohibiting cannabis retailers from locating within close proximity of preschools, primary and secondary schools, and recreation centers. This has led to the licensing of cannabis retailers located nearly adjacent to childcare providers, when the same establishments would have been prohibited if located within the same distance of a preschool, primary or secondary school, or recreation center.

The Medical Cannabis Process Improvement Amendment Act of 2025 would bring greater consistency to DC law, and members of the DC Council should support the passage of this legislation. Furthermore, the legislation should make clear that the distance a cannabis retailer is prohibited from operating from a daycare matches the distance a cannabis retailer is prohibited from operating from a preschool, primary or secondary school, or recreation center (currently, this distance is set at 400 feet). Finally, we urge members of the DC Council to act to pass this legislation quickly.

Thank you for giving great weight to the views of ANC 6A.

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at 6A04@anc.dc.gov or ANC 6A ABC Committee Chair Jeff Giertz at jeffgiertzanc@gmail.com.

[1] ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on anc-6a@googlegroups.com, and in newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.

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On behalf of the Commission,



Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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