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I just got out of the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors meeting in Yreka and they voted to continue our ban on commercial marijuana in our county. We allow 12 plants in an accessory structure for medical marijuana (per parcel) and allow the six plants indoors pursuant to Prop 64. Supervisors Kobseff, Board Chair Criss, Supervisors Nixon and Haupt were strongly opposed. One supervisor, Ed Valenzuela, dissented but he has a lot of pressure from his constituents in the Mt. Shasta and Dunsmuir areas, which have adopted commercial marijuana in their respective cities. Normally, Ed is supportive of law enforcement.

I am proud of our Board of Supervisors for standing strong against the growing list of adverse impacts associated with legalized and illegal marijuana in our county and region. They too have pressure to bend the other way but they have been courageous in their stance, as has our county staff, which I acknowledged.

I was surprised we did not have marijuana proponents in the audience but at least for now, we have a permanent ban in place. A stunning contrast to the reception in some cities.

Please thank your board member if you get a chance for their stance and decisions in this important matter.

A victory for our children, environment and others is nice once in a while.

Thanks,

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