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Good evening Mayor Osborne, Lompoc City Council Members and the Lompoc Community. My name is Pamela Buchanan and I am a long term resident and voting citizen of Lompoc.

I am strongly in support of putting a measure on the ballot for the residents of Lompoc to vote on the matter of taxing the local Cannabis Manufacturing industry. Personally, I feel that taxing the the manufacturing industry is not only the JUST step to take, it is also the fiscally responsible measure to implement.

There is a great need for increased funding for public safety, The North County Rape Crisis and Child Protection Center, The Lompoc Library, infrastructure and other community services in order to improve the quality of life here. Having the Cannabis Manufacturing Industry pay it's reasonable percentages in taxes will not only help meet these urgent needs, it will provide ongoing funds to benefit our community.

Improving safety, services, and infrastructure are also critical for propelling Lompoc into becoming a more desirable tourist destination, and home for new businesses. Updating the cannabis ordinance, and taxing the Cannabis Manufacturing Industry will bring more equity to our current tax structure. The citizens of Lompoc need to vote on this - our voices need to be heard. The Cannabis Manufacturing Industry impacts all of us who live here - let it be a significant positive financial impact!

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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