County of Lake Board of Supervisors 255 Forbes St. Lakeport, CA 95453

Dear Chariman Sabatier and Honorable Members of the Board,

My name is Tracy Ryan and I am the Cofounder and CCO for NKore BioTherapeutics. I have been working with patients around the world with life threatening diseases for the last 10 years and conducting research on cannabis at UCLA with world renowned cancer research scientist Dr. Anahid Jewett for the last 5 years.

I was originally introduced to medical cannabis by former talk show host and film star Ricki Lake when my own daughter was diagnosed with a low-grade brain tumor called an Optic Pathway Glioma when she was 8 ½ months old. We became one of the featured families of Ricki's Netflix documentary Weed the People, which followed 6 years of our journey. It also follows 4 other families and documents the true healing powers of cannabis when used for cancer and the debilitating side effects from chemo and radiation. Multiple children in this documentary were terminal, with no hope of survival, and both are alive and healthy today due to their use of medical cannabis. This is a phenomenon that I have witnessed in thousands of patients over the years, and through our research we now are beginning to understand why.

The research on cannabis that Dr. Jewett and I have conducted was on 29 human cancer patients, in all varying stages of disease, age and all with different cancers. We then reversed engineered our findings in humanized mouse models and our publication was accepted to a high impact cancer journal last year. You can find the published article here: <a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S266739402200017X">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S266739402200017X</a>

It was through this journey that I founded my immunotherapy company NKore BioTherapeutics with Dr. Anahid Jewett and two other gentlemen who have over 20 years of experience in building multi-billion-dollar medical companies. We are currently in the process of launching human trials for our Supercharged Natural Killer Cell immunotherapy with plans to run parallel human trials using cannabinoids as an adjunct and natural booster to these cells.

Our research has proven that not only do cannabinoids reboot the Natural Killer Cell system, which when it fails is why we get cancer and is our main defense against the disease, but we have also proven that it targets and kills cancer stem cells, the seeds to cancer, that chemo and radiation can't even see.

Your Natural Killer Cell system is your main defense against most, if not all, diseases which is why we believe we have seen cannabis work so incredibly well in many serious, to life threatening diseases in patients of all ages and across all demographics.

The reason for this letter is to show my support for Autumn Karcey as I have ten years of experience working with her in the cannabis space. Ms. Karcey is respected on a global scale, as an experts in her field, her passion for growing and manufacturing clean, quality, and efficacious medicine is on a scale that few get to experience.

Autumn and I have traveled the world advocating for this plant, connecting with world leading cannabis research scientists, and have fought for the highest of standards to be implemented in growing, manufacturing, and distributing cannabis medicines. She is one of the top designers for clean room grows in the world and has been a successful entrepreneur for decades. She is highly respected and beloved by our community, and everyone that knows her knows first-hand the incredible work she has done to help patients on their wellness journeys.

In 2016 Ms. Karcey and I flew my daughters live brain tumors sample to Israel to be studied by the world's leading researcher Dr. Dedi Meiri who heads the Laboratory of Cancer Biology and Cannabinoid Research out of the University of Technion. Dr. Dedi has led the world in some of the most incredible cannabis research in patients suffering from cancer, epilepsy and autism. Dr. Dedi has also been a supporter of Ms. Karcey since she and I first visited him. Together we have spoken at numerous conferences promoting the medicinal benefits of this profound plant backed by published research.

Dr. Dedi Meiri's Ted Talk can be found here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ioJbVyNg08">https://ats.org/about/faces-of-the-technion/dedi-meiri/</a>

It is my opinion Autumn has assembled a dream team that can be trusted at the highest level, and if allowed, will bring products to market that could greatly benefit patients in ways that conventional medicine is not capable. It would be a great loss to see her face any further hurdles in accomplishing these goals. Patients are dying at alarming rates, suffering from extreme pain and debilitating diseases and hooked on pharmaceuticals that are causing even more harmful side effects than the ailments they suffer from.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely, Tracy Ryan

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