

My name is Izzy Maxwell and I am a resident of 19 Tremont Street, Apartment 4. I am speaking today in favor of the Flaherty et al zoning petition to locate a medical marijuana dispensary at 61 Mooney Street in Cambridge.

In 2012, the residents of the City of Cambridge voted overwhelmingly to legalize medical marijuana for patients suffering from chronic, debilitating conditions. Medical marijuana has been shown to provide significant benefits to patients with cancer, digestive problems, autoimmune disorders, and epilepsy. I believe that locating a dispensary in Cambridge is necessary to provide essential medical care to people throughout Middlesex County.

John Greene is the only medical marijuana dispensary operator in Massachusetts that has committed to primarily providing non-euphoric strains in the forms of pills, transdermal patches, and salves. I believe this responsible type of dispensary would benefit our community and that it would not pose significant safety hazards.

Again, I urge you to vote in favor of the Flaherty et al zoning petition to locate a medical marijuana dispensary at 61 Mooney Street.