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Hello, I just wanted to give my input for this matter on keeping natural Kratom legal kratom has helped my life very much years ago I was robbed at gunpoint in my home from multiple Assailants in front of my two small children. I had a gun held to my head and I was held down I tried to get away to get my children whom they took into another room of the house and because of this I received a bad shoulder injury. I went to the hospital two different times for this injury. I was prescribed Vicodin from Doctors. Eventually I was addicted to Vicodin then OxyContin when doctors quit prescribing me Vicodin I was very sick dangerously buying pills on the streets I eventually went to the methadone clinic. I was on methadone for three years 165 mg which really subdued my life I was not able to work. I would Nod off all throughout the day and night i was a funny grey color even strangers would comment about my color and my sweating I couldn't sleep right I couldn't eat right all I craved was sugar I was very unhealthy it put a big weight on my marriage and my relationships with my children I was not a productive member of society at that time I also was stealing to pay for my pill habit and became a criminal I even got a felony when I Started going to church and began wanting to quit taking methadone I quit cold turkey, which was unheard of even from Doctors at the time they told me I could have died from quitting methadone cold turkey like that but they also told me that they commended me for it I was very very sick for months I could not sleep I became delusional I finally started drinking wine just so that I could sleep for a few hours not even because I liked to drink but just to get some sleep any sleep ,one day I ran into somebody that used to go to the methadone clinic with me and they told me about this natural herbal remedy called Kratom that had been around for hundreds or even thousands of years we researched this and so my husband went and took me to a store and we found some all natural kratom and tried it for me, immediately it made me feel not high, not stoned, not wacky I just finally felt like the way I used to feel before I tried any substances at all in my life back to normal the real me since that day, I have never stopped taking Kratom tea And since I have been on Kratom I have never been in trouble with the law not even one time in the past 13 years not even a parking ticket. I've had the same job for 11 years I am a productive Citizen of society I am a long-term member of the same church participating in the choir joining the prayer warriors group, and also volunteering in the nursery for the babies,Kratom gave me back my life my relationships with my husband and my children-family are all much much stronger and normal now,I just brew kratom tea 10 mg 3 times in each 24 hour period which is less than I used to take I used to brew 10 mg of kratom five times in a 24 hour period so once again unlike narcotic pain pills on natural kratom, you're able to take less and not have the nasty side effects of withdrawal #pleasekeepnaturalkratomlegal thank you please put this testimony on

record for ordinance #251028 sincerely Mrs.Jaime P