
Opposition to Ordinance 251028

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To Clerk <Clerk@KCMO.org>

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Dear Mayor Lucas and Members of the Kansas City City Council,

I am writing to respectfully oppose Ordinance 251028 and to share my perspective as a responsible consumer of alkaloid products.

Alkaloid products provide meaningful benefits for many adults when used responsibly. For some individuals, they serve as a lower-risk alternative to other substances, while for others they support wellness, focus, pain management, or overall quality of life. These products allow adults to make informed choices that work for their individual needs, and many people rely on them as part of a balanced, harm-reduction approach.

I understand the City's responsibility to consider public health and safety, and I appreciate the Council's careful review of emerging products. However, Ordinance 251028 would significantly limit access to products that have proven beneficial for a large number of responsible adults and that are used without negatively impacting the community.

Broad restrictions risk removing safe, beneficial options for law-abiding adults while failing to meaningfully address isolated issues. A more balanced approach—such as clear regulations, age restrictions, consumer education, and responsible retail standards—would better serve both public safety and individual choice.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to vote no on Ordinance 251028 and to consider alternatives that preserve access for responsible adults while addressing legitimate concerns.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and service to the community.

Sincerely,
Ashley Selfridge

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