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

I am writing to ask that this message
be placed on record regarding
Ordinance 251028.

I respectfully urge you to **remove
federally legal hemp-derived
cannabinoids from this ordinance.**

Banning hemp will not eliminate
demand — it will only fuel the black
market, invite unsafe and untested
products back into our communities,
and increase crime.

This ordinance would strip lower-
income families of access to the
affordable hemp products they rely on
daily, deny veterans access to
federally legal alternatives, and
eliminate hundreds of small
businesses across Kansas City.

Hemp prohibition would force
employees onto unemployment, leave
vacant storefronts throughout the city,
and allow illicit operators to replace

legal, regulated, and taxed hemp
businesses.

A more sensible solution is regulation
— not prohibition.

Kansas City can protect public safety
by:

- Prohibiting sales to minors
- Restricting gas stations from selling
hemp products
- Requiring Certificates of Analysis
(COAs)
- Enforcing child-resistant packaging

The Missouri marijuana industry was
allowed to create a full regulatory
framework for federally scheduled
products. The same approach can
and should be applied to federally
legal hemp.

Hemp provides safe, legal access to
wellness for residents who cannot
afford marijuana or prefer not to use it.
Removing that access harms citizens
— not corporations.

Please protect small businesses,
workers, veterans, and Kansas City
families by removing hemp-derived
cannabinoids from Ordinance 251028.

Respectfully,
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THANK YOU

