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Hello,

I spoke at the City Council meeting on Tuesday. While my experience is with pure kratom leaf, not 7-OH, after listening to the public testimony, I strongly urge you not to ban 7-OH.

The result will be an increase in suicides, opioid addiction and overdose deaths.

I know this from personal experience. It's also the facts, the statistics, per the senator who spoke on Tuesday. The states that have banned 7-OH have seen significant increases in opioid deaths. I don't think any of you believe that's an improvement to public safety. And no one should have to live with this on their conscious.

I have first-hand experience living day after day with excruciating pain. It's not tenable. It takes your life away. It's hard to keep your joy in life when every day you wake up to another day of pain. You can't hold down a job, which creates more stress. And no matter how much you love your people, your socializing is degraded. This is not going to change because you ban access to safe pain relief.

And with the opioids backlash, when you go to a doctor to seek help, so many times you are treated like you're just making everything up to get drugs. It feels horrible to be treated like this. That is another stressor on top of everything else.

People cannot live like this and they will seek relief.

I also have firsthand experience with what happens to children when they lose their mother to heroin. It rips everyone's heart out. You don't want to watch a 3-yr old when their mother never comes home, it's bedtime and they're tired. And the next day. And the next.

Or the 8-yr old big brother, who knows their mother is somewhere out there in the city. Who was 12 when their mother died of AIDS from sharing needles. He tried to commit suicide soon after this. He told me that he always had the hope that she would come back.

If she had access to 7-OH, she would have come back. I'm certain of that. She was good mother. She loved her children so much. But she was going thru a very hard time and started seeking relief by smoking heroin. I've heard it sucks you in hard and fast. She would have used 7-OH if it was available. And she would still be alive for her children.

On Jan 28, 2026, at 17:43, Eve Wolf <evewolf11@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello,

I know everyone is busy but I hope that one evening you can watch this video, to help you understand what it's like to have Lyme disease and the pain levels that I am trying to describe.

Thank you,

Eve

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