

UNIVERSITY AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL (UACC)

RESOLUTION 2016-05

A Resolution of the UACC Opposition to Granting a License to a Marijuana Business at 2808 E Tudor Road

WHEREAS the Anchorage Municipal Charter Art. VIII, Sec 8.01 establishes Community Councils as representatives for neighborhoods in planning and development; **and**

WHEREAS Community Councils are intended to reflect actual neighborhoods and provide guidance advice on management of lands within their boundaries; **and**

WHEREAS the Medical Marijuana Doctor's Evaluation Center, (MMDEC), located at 2808 E Tudor rod, has applied for marijuana retail license and its intended facility is located directly north across the road and in full view of the Anchorage Gospel Rescue Mission, (AGRM), located at 2823 E Tudor Road; **and**

WHEREAS the Municipal bus stop is located immediately in front of the MMDEC facility where the majority of AGRM clients arrive, and which stop is the main point of crossing and main pedestrian route for AGRM clients who travel directly north across the street to the front door of the AGRM facility, a walking distance with 500 feet of the MMDEC front door; **and**

WHEREAS the AGRM serves, with the intent of recovery, a segment of population of men, women whom with their children are affected by serious addictive problems and whose lives have been ravaged by alcohol and drug consumption, and the AGRM hosts a men's recovery program called "New Life Discipleship" for the express purpose of assisting those men and women desiring the cessation of their addictions; and whereas, the presence of a marijuana business within immediate proximity of the Mission is directly adverse to the needs of and is a direct threat to its population and programs of the AGRM to aid the addictive population with a recovery program; **and**

WHEREAS the MMDEC's intended marijuana business being located in the immediate proximity of the AGRM, poses a very real and visible threat to the needs of the population of the AGRM; **and**

WHEREAS the location of the proposed marijuana retail operations **is not in the best interest of the public** (see 3 ACC 306.080), observing that among the aims of the AGRM is that which seeks to be able to return to society recovered men and women who have determined to take their place as responsible citizens; **and**

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the UACC opposes the granting of a business license to the MMDEC on the grounds that granting of such license would **not be in the best interest of the public.**

Resolution Vote: For 0 Table **20** Against: 0 Abstain: 0

This resolution was **Tabled** by the UACC on this day of April 6, 2016.

Signed

Paul Stang, UACC President