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Rodney Fong, President
San Francisco Planning Commission
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Re: Opposition to a proposed MCD at 2412 Lombard

Dear President Fong and members of the San Francisco Planning Commission:

Larkin Street Youth Services and Community Housing Partnership (CHP) are writing to convey our opposition to plans for the Medical Cannabis Dispensary (MCD), Apothecarium, at 2412 Lombard Street (Lombard and Scott).

Larkin Street and CHP are partners in the Edward II Permanent Supportive Housing project located at 3155 Scott Street, across the street from the proposed MCD site. Edward II is a 25-unit housing development for formerly homeless transition age youth (TAY, ages 18 - 24). It is one of only three permanent housing resources for this vulnerable and at-risk population in the city, and it is our responsibility as the property managers and service providers to ensure the health and safety of its residents. Similar to safety zones established around schools and other programs for minors, we believe that MCDs should not be located within close proximity of housing programs for youth.

For this reason, Larkin Street and CHP oppose the MCD at 2412 Lombard, and we urge the Planning Commission to consider its potential impact on the TAY residents of Edward II as you make your determination.

Sincerely,

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