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To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site
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Michael and I urge you to vote yes on the Ordinance to ban all flavored tobacco, including mint and menthol, flavors that are particularly attractive to teens and kids. We are concerned about some council members questioning the validity of this ordinance in the face of short-term economic interests of Vape shops and the Chamber of Commerce.

There is no benefit, not even economic, to selling tobacco products, as we all learned in the long fight over banning cigarettes. My dad died of lung cancer so I know first-hand that nicotine addiction is a risk that plays out over a lifetime, with deadly consequences that are horrible to experience and watch. As you vote, please consider the cost of medical care and health care to those who will have lung, heart, vascular and dental illnesses due to tobacco use because they became addicted to nicotine as young people. Thank you. –Leslie and Michael McClintock

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