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Supervisor Mandelman and Board of Supervisors  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Support File #201009

Dear Supervisors,

I offer our **support of File #201009 Business and Tax Regulations Code - Temporary Suspension of Cannabis Business Tax, and Tax Reduction.** Cannabis businesses are struggling, like so many industries amidst COVID-19. Our Cannabis Working Group, made up of cannabis business owners and advocates, have voiced their financial difficulties due to COVID-19, along with a series of very unfortunate break-ins and robberies that they are still recovering from.

The suspension of the Cannabis Business Tax through December 31, 2021 and increased exemption threshold is exactly the policy and leadership we need right now. This suspension will help cannabis businesses keep their doors open, and start to save for their recovery post-pandemic. With so much uncertainty this year, we have to continue to provide means for our essential local businesses to continue to operate and serve their communities.

On behalf of our members, we thank you Supervisor Mandelman for this imperative legislation. We offer our support of File #201009, and urge the Board of Supervisors' support as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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