



June 12, 2020

Senator Kerry Donovan
State Capital Building
200 East Colfax Avenue #339
Denver, CO 80203

RE: HB20-1001 Nicotine Product Regulation

Dear Senator Donovan:

We wanted to extend our sincerest thank you for your acknowledgement and AYE vote on HB20-1001. Amidst the current pulse of the State of Colorado relative to all we are enduring relative to this pandemic, we realize there is a lot to digest. As you embark upon the latter portion of this legislative session, we understand and recognize your priorities may have shifted. This bill is a testament to a different epidemic – tobacco.

As we uphold our oath of office to protect the public health, safety and general welfare, and as Rachel Richards testified before you, the residents of Aspen and Pitkin County thank you for being bold and giving the support that this bill deserved.

We feel the community impact. As a municipality, we have limited power to enact enforceable legislation to adequately address this issue. The bill now before the Governor is steadfast in its scope and is well saturated on the details. HB20-1001 will ensure the protection of the increased minimum legal sales age to 21 and ensure universal implementation of the policy by creating clarity in Colorado. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ward Hauenstein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Ward Hauenstein, MAYOR PRO-TEM
Torre, MAYOR, Skippy Mesirov, Ann Mullins, Rachael Richards CITY COUNCIL