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Dear Senator Hughes,

I was pleased to hear that you are supporting the addition of violence to the nuisance law. This is a topic that is very important to my business.

I am the pharmacy manager at Happy Druggist, located at 5770 Karl Rd, directly across from the Larue Banquet Facility. We acquired the Happy Druggist in December of 2014, and we noticed right away that Larue was far more than a banquet facility.

Shortly, after we took over there was a shooting in the parking lot and one of the bullets hit our building, leaving a hole in the dentist's office at the end. This was troubling to say the least. Had violence been a part of the nuisance law at this point the police could have shut this business down. Instead they had to wait to observe underage drinking or sales of alcohol without a permit to shut the business down.

I feel that running a business in the Northland area, having this addition to the law, would aid the police in making neighborhoods safer, and therefore improve our business.

I appreciate your support of the bill, and hope that others will join with you so we can get rid of places like Larue, and keep them out of our neighborhood. This will greatly help the businesses of the Northland area and across the city and state.

Thank You,

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