To: Land Use, Transportation & Infrastructure for the Denver City Council

From: Smart Colorado Date: October 15, 2013

Re: Denver Zoning Code Text Amendment 15 for the Residential Growing of

Marijuana

We are writing to offer our support in placing limitations on the residential growing of marijuana. This is critical in order to help mitigate the adverse public health and safety, and environmental problems this could bring to neighborhoods and children living in the area.

Smart Colorado supports limiting the number of marijuana plants to no more than 6 plants for each adult 21 years or older residing in a dwelling, *up to a maximum of 12 plants in total per dwelling unit.* 

We also strongly support that the growing and or storage of marijuana must occur within a *completely enclosed, locked structure* and not in the common areas associated with the dwelling unit.

Finally, Smart Colorado believes that growing marijuana plants shall be for the *personal use* of those actually living in the dwelling. Any type of sales (retail or wholesale) of goods or products derived from the growing of marijuana, and any off-site distribution of the plants or derived products must be strictly prohibited.

Thank you for addressing these important provisions pertaining to the residential growing of marijuana. We appreciate your leadership on this issue and the opportunity to submit our position. If you would like to discuss this issue further, please do not hesitate to contact Gina Carbone at 303-808-0307.

Sincerely

**Smart Colorado**