

A RESOLUTION

**Proposed Resolution
20-79**

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to limit the number of medical marijuana cultivation centers and dispensaries that may locate in a single election ward in the District of Columbia.

**See Emergency Act
D.C. Act 20-18
20 DCSTAT 474**

**Medical Marijuana
Cultivation Center
and Dispensary
Location Restriction
Emergency
Declaration
Resolution of 2013**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center and Dispensary Location Restriction Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an emergency regarding the number of medical marijuana cultivation centers and medical marijuana dispensaries that may locate in a single election ward.

(b) An oversaturation of medical marijuana cultivation centers exclusively and inequitably falls upon Ward 5. Currently there are 6 cultivation centers approved for registration in the District of Columbia. Five of the 6 cultivation centers are located in Ward 5. There is also one medical marijuana dispensary currently operating in Ward 5.

(c) This emergency legislation addresses the immediate concerns of residents who would be adversely impacted by an overconcentration of medical marijuana cultivation centers and medical marijuana dispensaries in any one ward.

(d) The Department of Health is poised to solicit a new round of applications, which will begin the process of registering new medical marijuana cultivation centers to operate within the District of Columbia

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center and Dispensary Location Restriction Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.