23 ZC 1 Application for Moratorium for Cannabis Town of Montville PZC Proposed Draft Zoning Regulations Amendments New Section 21.A – "Moratoriums"

SECTION 21A MORATORIUM

21A.1 Purpose.

This section has been adopted to provide the Commission with the time necessary to consider adoption of potential changes to the Zoning Regulations by moratorium pursuant to Section 8-2 of the Connecticut General Statutes and/or to opt-out of certain provisions of public acts and the Connecticut General Statutes.

21A.2 CANNABIS MORATORIUM

The Connecticut General Assembly has passed legislation that legalizes adult use of cannabis in the State of Connecticut. The Connecticut General Statutes Chapter420h, §21a-420 to 21a-429 contains provisions allowing municipalities to prohibit or place reasonable restrictions on cannabis establishments.

This temporary and limited-term moratorium has been adopted to provide the Montville Planning & Zoning Commission with the time necessary to develop regulations for cannabis establishments that meet statutory responsibilities and promote the public's general health, safety and welfare and/or to consider a ban on cannabis establishments.

1. **DEFINITIONS**

- **a.** Cannabis. Marijuana as defined in Section 21a-240 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- **b.** Cannabis Establishment. A producer, dispensary facility, cultivator, microcultivator, retailer, hybrid retailer, food and beverage manufacturer, product manufacturer, product packager. Each one of these cannabis establishments has the same definition as set forth in Connecticut General Statutes Section 21A-420(1).
- **2. Applicability**. During this temporary moratorium, cannabis establishments/uses shall be prohibited in the Town of Montville and any

application shall be denied by the Zoning Commission or Zoning Enforcement Officer to establish a cannabis establishment/use.

3. Effective Date/Term. This temporary and limited moratorium shall become effective on **DATE TBD** and shall remain in effect for six months until **DATE TBD**.

