## **Ryan Howser**

From: Rebecca Rudder2

**Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:14 PM

To: Ryan Howser

**Subject:** FW: Colorado pumpkin patch

Ryan,

Please add Ms. Gallegos' email in support of the Colorado Pumpkin Patch to the record.

## Thank you!



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To everyone in office presiding over this matter,

The Colorado pumpkin patch has been a staple of my family's fall activities. I am so blessed to have a place for special needs children and entire family to go and not be judged. We can actually go as a family.

The Colorado Pumpkin Parch is fun, safe, welcomes special needs, not overwhelming, and close to home. I'm sorry but amusement parks are out because of the noise the lights and everything else. The crowds are even worse at amusement parks as is the drugs and alcohol use.

I genuinely look forward to the yearly experience, at the pumpkin patch. The Johnny Appleseed program is one of the reasons why. They have taken this program and allowed it to be at their pumpkin patch, which is a necessity for so many families with special needs. Not only that, but it seems the staff is one of the few that actually cares about special needs.

I think there needs to be a solution that meets the needs of the patch as well as the needs of the community. But taking it out as a joke. It's a shame if they were to do this it's a shame if they revoke anything from this. Everything family oriented is taken away from this community. Everything that matters is ruined, I beg Don't take this too:

