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**To:** Longinos Gonzalez, Jr; Carrie Geitner; Cami Bremer; Holly Williams; Stan VanderWerf  
**Subject:** Colorado Pumpkin Patch Hwy 105 access

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Dear Longinos Gonzalez, Carrie Geitner, Stan Vanderwerf, Cami Bremer, and Holly Williams,

I am writing in regards to the Colorado Pumpkin Patch and its value to our community. Three of my children have worked at the Pumpkin Patch where they have been responsible for numerous activities. I am greatly appreciative of the Chapman's and the work they do to serve our community. As an employer the Chapman's are willing to hire kids younger than 16, at an age when kids are motivated to work and excited about seeing their bank accounts grow. Second, the Chapmans are a good family, safe, and encouraging. This means I can feel comfortable leaving my kids with them. They teach the kids in a positive way providing an encouraging work environment and in a manner that promotes growth and learning. Leading me to my next point, Mr Chapman is not afraid to teach kids new skills. He invests in these kids, stretching them and encouraging them to take on new challenges and learn new responsibilities.

As a place to enjoy tulips, watermelons or pumpkins, the Colorado Pumpkin Patch is a wonderful family friendly event location to enjoy old fashioned fun that our family has benefited from. It is great to be outside in Colorado and this is a great place for large groups to have fun together with their families. I know our Taekwondo group has attended the Pumpkin Patch together, had fun, enjoyed our time together, but also had enough space for all of us to move around and participate in the activities available. Our kids school has also gathered at the Colorado Pumpkin Patch for some fun time together without the school books to get in the way. A GREAT way for teens to interact without electronics with real face to face fun, building real relationships.

The Colorado Pumpkin Patch is a small family business that adds value to our community as an employer, and event provider, and a place for good old fashioned fun without electronics for our families, school groups, and businesses. They are a small business and need to have the ability to serve large groups during their limited season in order to survive. Please find a way to allow this business to continue in our community with access to HWY 105 and no restrictions on the number of patrons allowed access.

Thank you,

Debi Holland