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Hello,

As a resident of Hermosa Beach, I want to see fewer people frequenting the bars and getting drunk. My son, who lives in NYC, recently told me that a friend of his was having people from across the country come to his bachelor party in Hermosa Beach. I love celebrations and revelry and think that young people need a place to go to enjoy themselves. But it has gone too far in Hermosa. The thing that bothers me the most is that people vomit on the sidewalks. It's disgusting. The sidewalks are also filthy from other things too. The other problem I have with all the drunks is that drunks can become belligerent. My other disabled son who lives with us has had drunken people be very unkind to him, even being physically aggressive with him, because he is different. Finally, when people get really drunk, the police must deal with them. Why do we encourage drunks to come here and make our city employees have to deal with them? Aren't we also inviting police brutality lawsuits – because the drunken people sometimes require the police to put their hands on them – and the drunks cannot understand that this is necessary.

This small community cannot handle this much commerce and keep its residential quality. Let's scale back the commerce rather than add to it before we become a caricature of the young beach lifestyle.

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