Dear Legislators,

My name is Ila Webster. I am 91 years old and a kratom consumer.

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed kratom ban and to urge you to pass the Kratom Consumer Protection Act instead. As someone who is unable to take nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medications due to a history of gastrointestinal bleeding and diverticulosis, kratom has been a crucial alternative for me. Although I don't need to take it often, having the option to use kratom when needed allows me to maintain an active and healthy lifestyle, taking care of my great-grandchildren and enjoying activities like tap dancing.

I have been using kratom intermittently for over five years and have never experienced any side effects. My lab results continue to be perfect, demonstrating its safety and efficacy for my needs. Please do not take this amazing plant away from those who benefit from it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ila Webster