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Would like your help in getting Citizens Jobs that's environmentally sound and healthy too.!!

Federal Government Signs Off On Study Using Marijuana To Treat Veterans' PTSD

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The federal government has signed off on a long-delayed study looking at marijuana as a treatment for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder, a development that drug researchers are hailing as a major shift in U.S. policy.

The Department of Health and Human Services' decision surprised marijuana advocates who have struggled for decades to secure federal approval for research into the drug's medical uses.

The proposal from the University of Arizona was long ago cleared by the Food and Drug Administration, but researchers had been unable to purchase marijuana from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. The agency's Mississippi research farm is the only federally-sanctioned source of the drug.

In a letter last week, HHS cleared the purchase of medical marijuana by the studies' chief financial backer, the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, which supports medical research and legalization of marijuana and other drugs.

"MAPS has been working for over 22 years to start marijuana drug development research, and this is the first time we've been granted permission to purchase marijuana from NIDA," the Boston-based group said in a statement. The federal government has never before approved medical research involving smoked or vaporized marijuana, according to MAPS.

A spokesman for the group said organizers have called off a protest over the stalled study that was planned for later this year.

While more than 1 million Americans currently take medical marijuana — usually for chronic pain — rigorous medical research into the drug's effects has been limited, in part due to federal restrictions.

Marijuana remains a Schedule I substance under the federal government's Controlled Substance Act. That means the drug is considered a high-risk for abuse with no accepted medical applications.

In the past NIDA has focused its research on the risks of drug abuse and addiction, turning away researchers interested in studying the potential benefits of illegal substances.

Even with the latest green light from the Health and Human Services department, MAPS and the University of Arizona Professor Suzanne Sisley must still get approval from the Drug Enforcement Administration, though they expect that clearance to come more quickly.

Sisley's study will measure the effects of five different potencies of smoked or vaporized marijuana in treating symptoms of PTSD in 50 veterans.

The Veterans Administration estimates between 11 and 20 percent of soldiers who served in the recent Iraq and Afghanistan wars have PTSD, which can cause anxiety, flashbacks, depression and sleep deprivation. About 7.7 million American adults are estimated to have the disorder.

Physicians have long speculated that marijuana could be used to calm parts of the brain linked to overstimulation and anxiety, though little formal research has been conducted.

The American Medical Association has called for a change in marijuana's classification to make it easier for research to be conducted. The current classification prevents physicians from even prescribing it in states where medical use is permitted. Instead, they can only recommend it to patients who can then buy it through a government-approved dispensary in most states.

Parents of children with epilepsy have petitioned lawmakers in several states to grant access to a strain of medical marijuana known as "Charlotte's Web," which contains low amounts of the drug's active ingredient, THC. Available in liquid form in Colorado, the strain is believed to be effective in controlling seizures in children, though the Institute of Medicine and the American Medical Association have said more research needs to be done

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Homeless and Jobless

Mr. Mark Keel

Chief of SLED

Dear Mr. Keel,

Would like to sit down and talk to you concerning Hemp and Medical Marijuana? Major Corporations and Dirty Politicians perpetrated a lie on U.S. Citizens in 1937 that has continuously destroyed God's Planet. Randolph Hearst used his paper to instill gross, negative lies to a receptive public to save Billions for Dow, DuPont, Rockefeller and himself. Our Citizens need strong Political, Law Enforcement and Churches to dispel the lies and deceit so OUR PLANET and CITIZENS can regain a healthy wholesome existence. The mental picture in Citizens' minds about Hemp is Marijuana which is the furthest from the TRUTH! NO! WE DO NOT WANT TO BE ANOTHER COLORADO.....WE CAN DO BETTER! Do you as a leader want to continue this practice of ignorance while poisoning our Environment and all inhabitants? Education is the key to a change in attitude: COMMON SENSE, INSIGHT, IMAGINATION & INGENUITY TOO!

I've sent Sheriff Lott, Reggie Lloyd and Resigned Chief Santiago this information in the past with NO RESPONSE. The Government FACTS from 1937 are in this paperwork to give you and your staff mental stimulation to further seek the TRUTH! IGNORANCE IS NOT BLISS while destroying Citizens' chances of an Environmental Green Industrial Revolution!

Thank you for this time. I'm a voting Citizen with criminal past that needs help getting God's most useful seed/plant back into action to support HIS planet and creations. Hemp for Mother Earth would appreciate your help in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

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Dear Athlete Director & Coaches,

Would you'll be willing to give me an appointment to discuss the following matters?
Hemp for Mother Earth is something I started in Federal Bureau of Prisons in 2005 trying to educate folks on getting hemp going in United States and Haiti! I would like to make Haiti the showplace in Western Hemisphere using all earth grown materials????

My IDEAS are sound and achievable with help from your entrepreneurship sponsorship of athletes!

Hemp will be the next Bull Market on Wall Street. Hemp Plastic, carpet, cloth and cardboard is in high demand in auto industry. Hemp building material leave neither carbon footprint nor will it mold or mildew as time passes.

I've sent information to Nikki McCray concerning cannabis/cannabinoids/oils to CURE CANCER. The study at U.S.C., Prahash Nagarakkii, should be enough to explore God's natural way of CURING DISEASES! We don't need the additives in Cannabis Oils; this only produces side effects and major profit for Big Pharm.

I have more IDEAS that respect Mother Earth and Government will give GRANTS to explore new effects on reduction of poisons and chemicals in food, air, water and ground.

Why not be FIRST in Nation as a college to fully explore Commercial Hemp as a Sports Community effort? Harris Pastides has received positive FACTS on hemp since 2008 but refuses to acknowledge my letter(s) and e-mails! COMMON SENSE, INSIGHT, IMAGINATION & INGENUITY are needed in our leaders for the betterment of earth and all living matter! Has anyone else giving you a Billion Dollar earner in investment for OUR Sports teams to lead the way in education and future homegrown and manufactured jobs? Commercial Hemp got unanimous support in Senate and will be on Senate Floor this year to become LAW!

Respecting God's most useful seed/plant to our planet will reduce the effects of global warming and provide healthier lifestyle for all. Doing things that's not even realized yet will set the Sports Entrepreneurship Program far ahead of other Colleges and Universities! This is not a joke and with help; I'll achieve God's directive to me in 2005! The choice to help me is yours' Thanks!!

Sincerely,
Ricky Loftin

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12-16-13

His Holiness, Pope Francis PP
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Dear Pope Francis,

I need your assistance in promoting God's Most Useful Plant on OUR Planet?
Commercial Hemp/Cannabis/Cannabinoids should be used instead of harmful chemical products; medical, agricultural and industrial.

God gave me a directive in 2005 while sitting in Bureau of Prisons in Jessup, Georgia to make Haiti a showplace in Western Hemisphere using Hemp. Hemp for Mother Earth has been trying to achieve this directive without success; Your help would move obstacles in my path!

The Mountains in Haiti could be covered in Hemp in 120 days. We could have three growing seasons each year without using any food producing lands. Hemp would provide: Plastic, Paper, Concrete, lumber, wallboard, charcoal, bio fuel, vitamins, food while making topsoil, fertilizer and stopping erosion. No more trees would be cut down.....Hemp uses less water to grow than other plants too.....

I have ideas for Hemp plastic portable housing that would work anywhere in the world. These houses could be built for under \$500.00. Hemp plastic is 10 times stronger than steel. The medical aspect is great for CURING AIDS, Diabetes, heart, lupus and many other diseases. God needs our help in returning EARTH to a Garden of Eden.

I have contacted every leader of Religious Denominations in South Carolina but NO ONE would answer nor pray with me on this directive.

God has sent you the remedy to food, housing and diseases in Hemp/Cannabis/Cannabinoids production to meet both of our needs to achieve our goals! Will you help this homeless, unemployed person?

May God Bless Mother Earth and ALL Inhabitants? Poisonous Products have to be removed. 100,000 Haitians could be working in production of all Hemp products produced in Haiti within one year.

Yes! We could clean up nuclear fallout and other pollution with this fast growing wonderful gift from God. Do you plan to let Corporations that are destroying mankind and earth continue to exist: Hearst, DuPont, Monsanto, Rockefeller and Dow??

I want to use the Federal Marijuana Act to CURE my diseases but can not get any response from Government. I do not want to be TREATED for the rest of my life by Big Pharm drugs that destroy the body.

Hope God moves your heart to help set Hemp/Cannabis/Cannabinoids free to heal our World. Peace & Happiness.

Sincerely,

Ricky Loftin



In 1976 President Gerald Ford put an end to all Cannabis Research
And Granted exclusive rights to Major Pharmaceuticals Companies!

In 1983 Reagan/Bush Administration told all Universities and Researchers to destroy
ALL 1966-76 Cannabis Research Work!

The problems with all medicines' the Doctor's prescribe for me are the diseases and
death associated with their products. I don't won't to be treated for these disease at
corporate profits for the rest of my life!

FEDERAL MARIJUANA...U.S. PATENT #6630507.....Department of Health and
Human Services should give Citizens a chance to CURE their DISEASES??
Cancer was CURED.....Let's deprive DuPont of 125 Billion they make treating
Cancer and cure it with God's most useful Plant.

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11-17-11

Mr. A. Marvin Quattlebaum
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Dear Mr. Quattlebaum,

The article in The State Newspaper (11-16-11) created an avenue to make a dream of mine come true! The COMMON SENSE, INSIGHT, IMAGINATION & INGENUITY of young minds working on a project that will change the context of manufacturing while leading research in ozone, ground, water and air refurbishment. COMMERCIAL HEMP PRODUCTION!

Let's create a study (my ideas) and get these young minds working on FACTS that will expand the legal issues that stand in the way of COMMERCIAL HEMP PRODUCTION. This positive Small Business developing Plant will bring Billions to South Carolina in new taxes.

HEMP IS NOT MARIJUANA!!

Getting FACTUAL DATA on positive factors of HEMP on South Carolina Economic Development for the next hundred years; while grown and manufactured by our Citizens will let all Politicians know the TRUTH!

Doing away with dirty FIBERGLASS and WALLBOARD will create jobs while protecting our environment and making these products cheaper is the first things on my list. I need help in setting up HEMP FOR MOTHER EARTH? Yes! I do believe this Plant will make Trillions using American Ingenuity! (HEMP: FIRST BILLION DOLLAR CROP POPULAR MECHANICS 1941) This is a project that may change history, be the next Bull Market on Wall Street and your class took the bull by the horns to right an injustice handed down in 1937! Oh! Hemp is imported to United States in the Billions and manufacturing (California) is in the Hundred's of Millions for Hemp Products! Better return than Solar Panels and proven investment!

Let's get Clean Hemp Plastic going with Government Grants Contract to make most of the products used in Tesla, Ficker and Proterra Electric Car/Bus manufacturing. Citizens of South Carolina could grow and manufacture all products from Hemp Plant! (Hemp Plastic: 10 times stronger than steel Popular Science 1940) Henry Ford's idea was to build and run his cars off the hemp plant. Great Video of beating Ford's Hemp Car with sledge hammer today and not being able to dent the car. Ford and others' are using Hemp Panels in their cars now!

I'm asking for help to really make a difference in our World and State Economy! If you read through my letter(s) (arriving soon) you'll see the potential of this request. DON'T LET SOUTH CAROLINA CITIZENS CONTINUE TO SUCK HIND TIT ON A BOAR HOG! Good ideas need to be investigated and debated with an open mind especially when it'll make everyday used products better, cheaper and by our STATE Citizens.

Sincerely,

Ricky L. Loftin