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**Cannabis for Medicinal Purposes**

**COMMITTEE: Health (HEA) RESOLUTION:** HEA-19-02

1. **WHEREAS**, medical marijuana is currently legal in 33 states and Washington DC; and
2. **WHEREAS**, there is ample evidence that marijuana is beneficial to people suffering
3. from the chronic and debilitating pain associated with cancer, AIDS and multiple
4. sclerosis, and has also proven effective in alleviating nausea associated with
5. chemotherapy, eye pressure from glaucoma and muscle spasms from neurological
6. disorders; and
7. **WHEREAS,** many public health organizations support legal access to medical marijuana
8. including American Nurses Association, Lymphoma Foundation of America, and AIDS
9. Action Council; and
10. **WHEREAS**, tax revenue can be used to reinvest in our communities, schools, drug
11. education and treatment programs, and re-entry and job training programs; and
12. **WHEREAS**, the marijuana trade currently thrives in an illegal market that creates unsafe
13. and unregulated access points for people of all ages; and
14. **WHEREAS**, regulating marijuana in a state-controlled system will limit access to
15. marijuana to adults aged 21 and over in licensed locations; and
16. **WHEREAS**, regulation will ensure strict controls over marijuana testing, advertising,
17. labeling, and quality, preventing access to youth and controlling quality and potency; and
18. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that NOBEL Women supports fair and effective
19. criminal justice and drug policies; and
20. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that NOBEL Women supports marijuana being
21. removed from schedule of controlled substances in Subsection (c) of schedule I of section
22. 202 (c) of the Controlled Substances Act; and
23. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that N.O.B.E.L. urges the all states to legalize, tax,
24. and regulate medical marijuana for adults.
25. <https://norml.org/component/zoo/item/detailed-reference#preLymph>
26. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5312634/>