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On October 2, 2017, The Atlanta City Council passed legislation that would decrease penalties for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana in Atlanta, making the punishment comparable to getting a speeding ticket.

Under the city ordinance, a municipal judge has one option for punishment: a \$75 fine and no jail time. It did not make possessing marijuana legal. Selling or possessing any amount of marijuana is still against the law.

“Anyone caught in possession of marijuana within the state of Georgia can be punished under state law.”

In celebration of this historical advancement in criminal justice reform five years ago and in observing the state of repair needed in our great city, our state, and across the country, We are calling for a day of peace and education on cannabis as a therapeutic.

We will explore medicinal benefits, harm reduction, and wellness. In addition, there will be a day of intentional love, service, and good deeds across the City of Atlanta.

Join community leaders as they encourage supporters of cannabis, CBD, criminal justice reform, economic opportunities through community reinvestment, job creation, education, health care reform, and wellness to register to vote. This engagement opportunity will allow voters to update and verify their locations for the upcoming General Election.

“The state law says possession of any amount of marijuana is punishable with up to a \$1,000 fine and is a jail-able offense up to six months.”

We are calling for our Governor and state officials to provide remedy and relief to a stalled process for providing safe access for medical cannabis patients and to amend state statutes to decriminalize possession of small amounts of cannabis.

We are asking the President and Vice President to fulfill their promise to decriminalize cannabis federally.

We need the Federal Government to allocate funding for research and development for states with a viable medical program partnered with a college or university that provides connectivity to community workshops, cannabis programs, curriculum, and continued education programming.

This additional funding and resources will allow state and local municipalities to address health disparities and mental health treatment and expand cannabis research. In addition, creating this ecosystem will produce new jobs.

Saturday, October 1, Hemp Fest’s target mission is to engage and showcase retailers, farmers, manufacturers, and consumers of CBD, Delta 8, CBG, and other forms of Hemp for Equity & Earth Sustainability! This event will feature immersive and innovative experiences focused on the beautiful world of hemp and its benefits.

Sunday, October 2, Organizers have anchored three-day Parties and a Grand-Finale to highlight Atlanta’s Nightlife calling for supporters and ambassadors to fellowship with food, fun, games, and education. In addition, organizers will add additional pop-up events and locations.

For media inquiries, to host an educational/voter registration pop-up, or for more information, contact Chris Brown at 404.849.6721

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