

DIANNA HOUENOU, *Chair* SAMUEL DELGADO, *Vice Chair* KRISTA NASH, *Commissioner* MARIA DEL CID-KOSSO, *Commissioner* CHARLES BARKER, *Commissioner* CHRIS RIGGS, *Acting Executive Director*

RESOLUTION 2024-<u>268</u> APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION'S ANNUAL REPORT ON MEDICAL CANNABIS ACTIVITES

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("the Commission"), established pursuant to P.L. 2019, c.153, known and cited as the "Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act," ("Honig Act") is charged with implementing the provisions of the Honig Act as well as P.L.2021, c.16, known and cited as the "New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act" ("CREAMM Act"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-12(a), the Commission shall report to the Governor, and to the Legislature pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1) annually on the number of applications for registration with the Commission, the number of qualifying patients registered, the number of designated and institutional caregivers registered, the nature of the qualifying medical conditions of the patients, the number of registrations revoked, the number of medical cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis manufacturer, and medical cannabis dispensary permits issued and revoked, the number and type of integrated curricula approved, established, and maintained in connection with an Integrated Curriculum permit, the number of testing laboratories licensed, the number of clinical registrant permits issued and the nature of the clinical research conducted by each clinical registrant, any incidents of diversion of medical cannabis, information concerning racial, ethnic, disabled veteran, and gender diversity in the individuals issued and currently holding permits issued by the commission, the number of permit applications received from businesses owned by minorities, disabled veterans, and women and the number of such applications that were approved, the business development initiatives undertaken by the Office of Minority, Disabled Veterans, and Women Medical Cannabis Business Development pursuant to section 32 of P.L.2019, c.153 (C.24:6I-25) and the outcomes or effects of those initiatives, statistics concerning arrests for drug offenses throughout the State and in areas where medical cannabis dispensaries are located, including information concerning racial disparities in arrest rates for drug offenses generally and cannabis offenses in particular, the number of motor vehicle stops by law enforcement involving violations of R.S.39:4-50, or section 5 of P.L.1990, c.103 (C.39:3-10.13) concerning operators of commercial motor vehicles, for driving under the influence of medical cannabis, or suspicion thereof, cataloged by the jurisdictions in which the stop occurred, and the race, ethnicity, gender, and age of the vehicle driver and any other vehicle occupants, the number of deliveries of medical cannabis performed and the percentage of total medical cannabis dispensations that were completed by delivery, and the number of health care practitioners authorizing patients for the medical use of cannabis, including the types of license or certification held by those practitioners; and

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TAHESHA L. WAY *Lt. Governor* WHEREAS, pursuant N.J.S.A. 24:6I-12(b), the reports to the Governor and to the Legislature shall not contain any identifying information of patients, caregivers, or health care practitioners; and

WHEREAS, pursuant N.J.S.A. 24:6I-25(e), the Commission's Office of Minority, Disabled Veterans, and Women Cannabis Business Development shall prepare information regarding its activities pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-25 concerning participation in the medical cannabis industry by persons from socially and economically disadvantaged communities, including medical cannabis business development initiatives for minority, women's, and disabled veterans' businesses participating in the medical cannabis marketplace, to be incorporated by the Commission into its annual report submitted to the Governor and to the Legislature pursuant to section 14 of P.L.2009, c.307 (C.24:6I-12); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has now prepared an annual report for the Governor and for the Legislature regarding the medical cannabis activities undertaken by the Commission in 2022 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 24:6I-12 and N.J.S.A. 24:6I-25; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has now prepared an annual report for the Governor and for the Legislature regarding the medical cannabis activities undertaken by the Commission in 2023 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 24:6I-12 and N.J.S.A. 24:6I-25; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the above annual reports regarding medical cannabis activities undertaken by the Commission from 2022 through 2023 satisfies all statutory requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-12 and N.J.S.A. 24:6I-25, that the Commission's annual reports on medical cannabis activities for the years 2022 and 2023, are hereby **APPROVED**.

Submitted by:

Dianna Houenou, Chair

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at its meeting held on the 19th day of September 2024.

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Dave Tuason, Chief Counsel

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Barker					Х	
Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso		Х	Х			
Commissioner Delgado			Х			
Chairwoman Houenou			Х			
Commissioner Nash	Х		Х			