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**CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**Date: Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

1 COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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3 DIANNA HOUENOU, Chair

4 KRISTA NASH, Vice Chair

5 AMELIA MAPP

6 HARRIS LAUFER

7 DANIEL SAID, Secretary

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10 A P P E A R A N C E S:

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12 CHRIS RIGGS, Executive Director, NJ-CRC

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1 CHAIR: All right. Good morning,  
2 everyone. Welcome to this meeting of the New Jersey  
3 Cannabis Regulatory Commission. The time is 11:04, and  
4 I call this meeting to order. Mr. Said, can you please  
5 read the notice of the public meeting?

6 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman, this is a  
7 regularly scheduled meeting of the New Jersey Cannabis  
8 Regulatory Commission's 2026 annual meeting schedule.  
9 Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in  
10 accordance with the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public  
11 Meetings Act.

12 Notice of the meeting schedule was  
13 provided to the Asbury Park Press, Bergen Record,  
14 Courier-Post, Star-Ledger, and the Trenton Times on  
15 January 5, 2026. The agenda and information regarding  
16 the virtual nature of the meeting and the ability to  
17 live stream was also posted on the CRC website.

18 The meeting time and location has also  
19 been posted on the website of the New Jersey Cannabis  
20 Regulatory Commission and with the office of the  
21 Secretary of the State.

22 CHAIR: Thank you. Can you please take  
23 roll call?

24 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?  
25 Commissioner Laufer? If you can just unmute yourself.

1 CHAIR: It's like we're having some  
2 technical issues.

3 MS. MAPP: Hi again, he just moved his  
4 head.

5 MR. LAUFER: Did you call on me?

6 THE SECRETARY: Yes, sir.

7 CHAIR: You're muted again.

8 MR. LAUFER: Present.

9 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

10 CHAIR: Present

11 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

12 VICE CHAIR: Present.

13 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

14 CHAIR: Present.

15 THE SECRETARY: We now have a quorum. The  
16 first order of business is the introduction of a new  
17 commissioner.

18 CHAIR: Thank you. So as folks have  
19 noticed, we now have a fourth commissioner who has  
20 joined us. Commissioner Harris Laufer, welcome to the  
21 Board of Commissioners with the New Jersey Cannabis  
22 Regulatory Commission.

23 Commissioner Laufer brings his experience  
24 with both state and local government to the board, so  
25 we're excited to have him. And Commissioner Laufer,

1 I'll turn the floor over to you for any remarks.

2 MR. LAUFER: Thank you, Chair. First off,  
3 I want to thank Governor, Senate President for  
4 nominating and advancing my nomination. But moreover I  
5 look forward to making the cannabis industry in New  
6 Jersey better with the help of everybody on this board.

7 I look forward to bringing my years of  
8 local government experience to try and make the process  
9 better for our government partners, as well as working  
10 with every single one of the commissioners up here and  
11 the staff to make the industry work better.

12 I want to thank Chair Houenou, Vice Chair  
13 Nash, Commissioner Mapp, you've all been incredibly  
14 welcoming. Executive Director Riggs, Chief Counsel,  
15 all of the staff have been tremendously accessible and  
16 knowledgeable, and I look forward to working with every  
17 single one of them to again make this industry work  
18 better and work for the people of New Jersey. And that  
19 -- that's all I have. Thank you, Chair.

20 CHAIR: Thank you, Commissioner Laufer,  
21 pleasure to have you. And we look forward to seeing  
22 all the great work that you can do with us to achieve  
23 our vision. With that, we'll move on to the next  
24 agenda item.

25 THE SECRETARY: The next order of business

1 is for the commission to go into executive session to  
2 discuss legal matters and litigation and investigation  
3 updates. These are discussions that are not shared  
4 with the public. We believe the executive session  
5 should take about one hour.

6 CHAIR: Thank you. With that, I move that  
7 we turn to executive session. Is there a second?

8 MS. MAPP: I, second.

9 MR. LAUFER: Second.

10 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Mapp. Is  
11 there any discussion on this motion? Hearing no  
12 discussion, all those in favor say aye.

13 MS. MAPP: Aye.

14 MR. LAUFER: Aye.

15 VICE CHAIR: Aye.

16 CHAIR: All those opposed say nay. Any  
17 abstentions? Motion passes. So, as Mr. Said noted, we  
18 expect the executive session to last approximately one  
19 hour. So we will leave the live stream running during  
20 that time and we can expect to resume the public  
21 session at -- we'll say 12:15. Thank you everyone.

22 (Public session resumed)

23 CHAIR: All right. Welcome back. The  
24 time is 12:37, and we will resume public portion of  
25 this meeting. Thank you for your patience, everyone.

1 Mr. Said, can please announce the next agenda item.

2 THE SECRETARY: The next item up for  
3 consideration are the adult use cannabis business  
4 conversion license applications.

5 CHAIR: Thank you. Director Riggs, the  
6 floor is yours.

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8 MR. CHRIS RIGGS: Thank you, Madam Chair.  
9 If we could go back a few slides there to give the  
10 numbers, I think we're going to handle condition. No,  
11 there we go. So these are all the applications that  
12 are up for the board today for consideration  
13 recommended from staff, 7 conditional annual conversion  
14 license, 11 annuals and 20 annual renewal licenses. I  
15 think the first item that we will take up for vote is a  
16 conditional to annual conversion, where there are seven  
17 of these licenses. We have one cultivator, one  
18 manufacturer and five retailers up for consideration  
19 today. All these licenses have on the screen, have  
20 followed the licensing review process by submitting  
21 their application through our Licensing Portal, they've  
22 given a priority assignment where the licensing team  
23 confirms that each application is assigned to the  
24 appropriate review level. We look at diversity, on  
25 business, status, taxes, residency, if required, and

1 then cures are sent if needed.

2           That priority is then verified by our  
3 licensing team to confirm that the appropriate  
4 documentation is submitted to support the priority  
5 identified by the applicant. After that, that process  
6 is complete, there's a completeness review to confirm  
7 that all the required documents are submitted. The  
8 application is deemed complete by licensing.

9           We confirm that all the documents are not  
10 only submitted, but they're filled out appropriately,  
11 and that all the required information has been  
12 submitted by the applicant. Cures are sent out if  
13 needed. At that point, the application is then scored;  
14 the documents are reviewed to ensure that the applicant  
15 has submitted information to satisfy all the regulatory  
16 requirements, and the notice of application acceptance.

17           The application is then moved into our  
18 investigations team, where a qualification review is  
19 conducted, individuals, financial sources and any other  
20 agreements are reviewed for regulatory compliance.  
21 Background checks are conducted to ensure that the  
22 owners and any persons of interest are qualified to  
23 operate in the adult use cannabis space. And then a  
24 quality control process is initiated, where our  
25 licensing team, the Office of Compliance and

1 investigation, our legal team, review the application  
2 to ensure that it's ready for board presentation, and  
3 then we come to the last step, where we are now  
4 recommending that these applications be approved by the  
5 board today. Thank you, Madam Chair,

6 CHAIR: Thank you Director Riggs. Are  
7 there any questions from the board for Director Riggs?  
8 Hearing no questions from the board. Is there a motion  
9 on this matter?

10 MR. LAUFER: So moved.

11 CHAIR: Commissioner Laufer moves to  
12 approve the seven conversion applications. Is there a  
13 second?

14 MS. MAPP: A second.

15 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Mapp? Is  
16 there any discussion on this motion to approve the  
17 seven conditional to annual conversion license  
18 applications? Hearing no discussion, Mr. Said, can you  
19 please call the vote?

20 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

21 MR. LAUFER: Yes.

22 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

23 MS. MAPP: Yes.

24 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

25 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

1 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

2 CHAIR: Yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes. The  
4 next item up for consideration, are the adult use  
5 cannabis business annual license applications.

6 CHAIR: Director Riggs, floor is yours.

7 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Madam Chair. Next  
8 slide, please. We have 11 annual licenses up for  
9 consideration for the board today, there's four  
10 cultivators, one manufacturer, five retailers, and then  
11 we have one testing laboratory. The same licensing  
12 process that I just articulated for the conversions was  
13 followed, where priority assignment was given, that  
14 priority assignment was then verified.

15 Completeness review was conducted by our  
16 licensing team. The applications were all stored.  
17 There was a qualification review with background checks  
18 and the like conducted, quality control process was  
19 conducted. And now we are recommending that these  
20 applications be approved by the board today. Thank  
21 you.

22 CHAIR: Thank you, Director Riggs. Are  
23 there any questions from the board for Director Riggs  
24 regarding the annual license application? Hearing no  
25 questions for the board, is there a motion on this

1 matter?

2 VICE CHAIR: Madam Chair --

3 MS. MAPP: (Inaudible) Go ahead, Krista.

4 VICE CHAIR: Thank you, Madam Chair. I  
5 move to approve the annual license application  
6 presented here today.

7 VICE CHAIR: Is there a second?

8 MS. MAPP: A second.

9 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Mapp.  
10 Any discussion on this motion? I just  
11 want to note I so am support -- I'm supportive of this  
12 motion. I would just ask chief council with respect to  
13 application Number 9534 specifically to just ensure  
14 that the commercial read --reasonableness requirements  
15 are spelled out in the final agency decision that's  
16 issued to the business and that our legal team  
17 confirmed that all transactional documents comply with  
18 those requirements ahead of any license being issued to  
19 the business, but I am supportive of the motion.

20 Any further discussion on this motion?

21 Hearing no further discussion, Mr. Said, can you please  
22 call the vote?

23 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

24 MR. LAUFER: Yes.

25 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner --

1 Commissioner Mapp?

2 MS. MAPP: Yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

4 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

5 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

6 CHAIR: Yes.

7 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes. The  
8 next item up for consideration on the agenda are the  
9 adult use cannabis business annual license renewal  
10 applications.

11 CHAIR: Thank you. Director Riggs, the  
12 floor is yours.

13 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Madam Chair. If we  
14 go to the next slide, please. This first tranche of  
15 annual license renewal applications. There's 16 of  
16 them listed on the -- on the screen here. These have  
17 all followed our licensing process. The licenses in  
18 adult use cannabis are effective for one year from the  
19 date of issuance and are required to be reviewed  
20 annually.

21 All these individuals and entities have  
22 submitted into the portal and provided the required  
23 documentation for renewal. That documentation has been  
24 reviewed and approved by the Office of Compliance and  
25 Investigation, and therefore it is recommended that we

1 renew these applications. The 16 of them presented  
2 before (inaudible). Thank you, Madam Chair.

3 CHAIR: Thank you, Director Riggs. Are  
4 there any questions from the board for Director Riggs  
5 regarding these renewal applications?

6 MR. LAUFER: Could work by staff.

7 CHAIR: All right. Any further questions  
8 or comments? Hearing none, is there a motion on this  
9 matter as it pertains to the 16 renewal applications  
10 presented?

11 MS. MAPP: Madam Chair, I move that we  
12 accept the applications as presented today by Director  
13 Riggs.

14 CHAIR: Commissioner Mapp moves to approve  
15 the renewal applications as presented.

16 MR. LAUFER: Second.

17 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Laufer.  
18 Is there any discussion on this motion? Hearing no  
19 discussion, Mr. Said, can you please call the vote?

20 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

21 MR. LAUFER: Yes.

22 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

23 MS. MAPP: Yes.

24 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

25 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

1 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

2 CHAIR: Yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes. The  
4 next item we have on the agenda is the consideration of  
5 an annual renewal application for La Vida Gardens  
6 dispensary LLC. Chairwoman Houenou has recused herself  
7 from this annual renewal application for La Vida  
8 Gardens dispensary LLC due to an ongoing personal  
9 relationship. On account of her recusal, she'll step  
10 out of the room while the board considers this  
11 particular application. Afterward, Chair Houenou will  
12 come back in and will take up the next order of  
13 business.

14 VICE CHAIR: Thank you Mr. Said. Director  
15 Riggs, the floor is yours.

16 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Vice Chair Nash.  
17 Same process for this renewal. License was effective  
18 for one year. They've submitted all the required  
19 documentation. OCI is satisfied with what they've  
20 submitted and therefore staff's recommending that this  
21 application be renewed for another year. Thank you.

22 VICE CHAIR: Thank you Director Riggs.  
23 Are there any questions from the board? All right.  
24 I'll go ahead and make the motion. I move to approve  
25 the annual renewal application of La Vida Gardens. Is

1 there a second?

2 MS. MAPP: I second.

3 VICE CHAIR: Commissioner Mapp seconds.

4 Any discussion on the motion? Hearing no discussion,  
5 Mr. Said, can you please call the vote?

6 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

7 MR. LAUFER: Yes.

8 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

9 MS. MAPP: Yes.

10 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

11 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

12 THE SECRETARY: And Chairwoman Houenou is  
13 recused. The motion passes.

14 VICE CHAIR: Thank you.

15 THE SECRETARY: I'm just waiting for --

16 VICE CHAIR: Chair --

17 THE SECRETARY: [Interposing] Yes.

18 VICE CHAIR: She'll be with us in a  
19 moment.

20 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou, the  
21 floor is yours.

22 CHAIR: Thank you. We can move on to the  
23 next agenda item. So here we have two annual license  
24 renewal applications that were previously deemed  
25 incomplete, they are now complete. However, the board

1 has not yet had an opportunity to fully review the now  
2 complete applications.

3           And so I am recommending to the board that  
4 we administratively extend the licenses for these two  
5 businesses for 30 days at which time the commission can  
6 make a final determination on or by which time the  
7 commission can make a final determination on the  
8 license renewal applications on their merits. So that  
9 is for legal distribution application Number 47892, and  
10 Nile of NJ LLC, application Number 50037. That is my  
11 recommendation -- recommendation to the board.

12           Are there any questions from the  
13 board regarding this recommendation? Hearing no  
14 questions, is there a motion on this matter?

15           VICE CHAIR: Moved.

16           CHAIR: Vice Chair Nash moves to extend  
17 the -- the licenses for these two businesses by 30 days  
18 by which time the commission can make a final  
19 determination on the license renewal applications. Is  
20 there?

21           MS. MAPP: Second.

22           CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Mapp.  
23 Thank you. Any discussion on this motion? Hearing no  
24 discussion, Mr. Said, can you please call the vote?

25           THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

1 MR. LAUFER: I just realized I was muted,  
2 yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

4 MS. MAPP: Yes.

5 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

6 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

7 THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

8 CHAIR: Yes.

9 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

10 MR. RIGGS: Next slide please. The next  
11 item on the agenda is the consideration of an  
12 additional annual license renewal application,  
13 chairwoman.

14 CHAIR: Thank you. Director Riggs, the  
15 floor is yours.

16 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Madam Chair. Mad  
17 Hatter Dispensary LLC submitted its annual license  
18 renewal application. However, when submitting their  
19 application and during the review, it was determined  
20 that they did not provide the appropriate attestation  
21 to determine for license renewal. The adopted  
22 attestation by our permitting and licensing committee,  
23 they did not provide that, they were issued a cure.

24 Also in that cure, they did not provide a  
25 social equity report and that they do not and no longer

1 have municipal approval in the locality where they  
2 operate. Therefore, it is staff's recommendation that  
3 Mad Hatter Dispensary cannot meet the regulatory  
4 criteria for renewal and the application should be  
5 denied at this time. Thank you.

6 CHAIR: Thank you, Director Riggs. Are  
7 there any questions from the board regarding this  
8 renewal application? Hearing, no questions, is there a  
9 motion on this matter?

10 VICE CHAIR: Madam Chair, I move to  
11 approve the motion for denial of Mad Hatter  
12 Dispensaries adult use license renewal.

13 CHAIR: Vice Chair Nash moves to deny the  
14 renewal application. Any -- is there a second on this  
15 motion to deny the renewal application?

16 MS. MAPP: Madam Chair, I second.

17 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Mapp. Is  
18 there any discussion on this motion to deny the renewal  
19 application? Hearing no discussion, Mr. Said, can you  
20 please call the vote?

21 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Laufer?

22 MR. LAUFER: Yes.

23 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

24 MS. MAPP: Yes.

25 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Nash?

1                   VICE CHAIR: Yes, for the reasons  
2 articulated by the executive director, my vote is yes.

3                   THE SECRETARY: Chairwoman Houenou?

4                   CHAIR: Yes.

5                   THE SECRETARY: The motion passes. The  
6 next item on the agenda is the open public comment  
7 period.

8                   CHAIR: Thank you. As we open the floor  
9 to public comments, I want to remind our viewers that  
10 they can submit written comments to the commission  
11 during or after this meeting by going to our website,  
12 [nj.gov/cannabis/meetings](http://nj.gov/cannabis/meetings). The deadline for submitting  
13 written comments for today's board meeting is 5 p.m.  
14 tomorrow, Wednesday, January 14th. Written comments  
15 will be shared with the commission members and they  
16 will be made public. Our speakers will be limited to  
17 three minutes.

18                   Mr. Said will call out the names of our  
19 registered speakers. When it is your turn to speak,  
20 Mr. Said will ask you to turn on your microphone. If  
21 you are dialing in by phone, you'll need to press star  
22 nine to raise your hand when you hear your name called  
23 and then star six when asked to unmute yourself. To  
24 make sure that the meeting minutes are accurate, please  
25 state your name before delivering your comments. Thank

1 you. Mr. Said, please call on our first speakers.

2 THE SECRETARY: Thank you, chairwoman. As  
3 a reminder, public speakers during this afternoon's  
4 public comment period will be limited to three minutes.  
5 Please be respectful and concise during your comments.  
6 I will also give a 30 second notice just so that you  
7 can wrap up. Just bear with me. The first speaker  
8 that we have registered is Donald Campbell. If you're  
9 in the room, please raise your hand. Donald Campbell.

10 Last four of the telephone number is 9605.  
11 Donald Campbell. Okay. I don't see that person. The  
12 next person on the list is Thomas Norcia. If you're in  
13 the room, please raise your hand. Thomas Norcia. Last  
14 four of the telephone number is 2406. I don't see that  
15 person. The next person is Erin Gore. If you're in  
16 the room, please raise your hand. Erin Gore. And the  
17 last four of the telephone number is 5483. If you're  
18 in the room, please raise your hand.

19 The next person on the list is Michael  
20 Brennan. If you're in the room, please raise your  
21 hand. Last four of the telephone number is 5226.  
22 Michael Brennan, I don't see that person. The next  
23 person on the list is Ramon Azcuidiaz. I see you  
24 Ramon. Give me one second. Ramon, you have the floor.

25 MR. RAMON AZCUIDIAZ: Hello. Thank you.

1 Can you hear me?

2 THE SECRETARY: Yes, we can hear you.

3 MR. AZCUIDIAZ: Awesome. Just wanna thank  
4 you for your time today. I actually missed the signup  
5 to speak for the C tax. So I think I'm just gonna use  
6 the time today to thank the board first for keeping the  
7 tax low after the last meeting. As we hope to get more  
8 data and information on how that revenue's brought in  
9 and how the profit is made, I thank you for not jumping  
10 to drastic measures and raising it to \$30.

11 With that being said, I am in support of a  
12 less drastic increase in the tax amount. If there was  
13 a plan made and like if we figured out how to calculate  
14 what would be best to invest into the back to the  
15 people and of the state and specifically those affected  
16 as the C tax is meant to do that would be awesome.  
17 With that being said, if we could have more focus on  
18 previous convictions or at least some outreach towards  
19 previous convictions.

20 I know in some of the data in the last  
21 meeting, there was a -- there were numbers about the  
22 license distributions where I seen -- I had seen one  
23 category about previous convictions that seemed to be  
24 lagging. I didn't know if maybe there was just less  
25 licensed applications by previously convicted persons.

1 And if we can get more outreach, maybe we can get  
2 people who are interested and being able to join the  
3 business.

4 As far as -- that's all as far as the C  
5 taxes, with the remainder of the time, I'd just like to  
6 request that the commission can look into their power  
7 to maybe require municipalities to allow cannabis  
8 businesses in their township or require them -- yeah,  
9 require them to allow cannabis businesses or people who  
10 were unfairly maybe unjustly policed around previous  
11 cannabis laws within their borders, within their towns.

12 Because you do have rich areas that  
13 financially stripped their citizens and they don't face  
14 any consequences for the targeted policing within their  
15 borders. We do have a history and research showing  
16 that in some areas, police did, you know, target use  
17 the descent of marijuana or to strip it citizens  
18 financially and receive more payments. So that's all  
19 for today. Thank you so much.

20 THE SECRETARY: Thank you, Ramon. The  
21 next person on the list is Andrea Raible. If you're in  
22 the room, please raise your hand. Okay. I see you  
23 Andrea.

24 MS. ANDREA RAIBLE: Hello. Can you hear  
25 me?

1 THE SECRETARY: Yes, we can hear you.

2 MS. RAIBLE: Hi, my name is Andrea Raible.

3 I would like to start by saying Happy New Year and  
4 welcome to Commissioner Laufer. As we witnessed the  
5 ongoing evolution of the commission, I'd like to  
6 actually reflect on where it began. Cannabis was  
7 originally made available to the sickest patients with  
8 no hope of survival. This was essentially a hospice  
9 program. This industry is about medicine and about  
10 mercy at its core.

11 Today, the adult use industry is  
12 flourishing and that growth required a lot of hard work  
13 and is certainly something to be proud of, but as you  
14 take your journey as commissioners, I urge you to  
15 remember you are running a medical program and a  
16 hospice program at its core. You register our doctors,  
17 oversee the manufacturing of our medicine and control  
18 the only pharmacies we are allowed to use.

19 It can be so easy to get caught up in the  
20 rapid pace of the adult use expansion that it's easy to  
21 overlook the most vulnerable groups who rely on you.  
22 While the industry has lawyers and assistance and  
23 resources to make their priorities loud and clear, the  
24 patients don't. The patients are at chemo appointments  
25 and hospital beds and having seizures on their living

1 room floors.

2           The patients are fighting for their lives  
3 and when you're fighting for breath, you simply can't  
4 speak loud enough to compete with the noise of \$2  
5 billion, but as commissioners, it's your responsibility  
6 to hear us and to be our voice. We need affordable and  
7 reliable access to clean accurately labeled medicine.  
8 I understand some key issues like legalizing home,  
9 cultivation fall on the legislators, not on the CRC,  
10 but I ask you explore improvements that can be made  
11 internally, lowering the testing, batch size, labeling  
12 solvents on packaging.

13           Creating a public database of COAs are a  
14 few examples, but the list could go on. The ongoing  
15 investigation regarding potency, inflation and  
16 microbial testing is an important start. We need  
17 accountability at the lab level to minimize risks to  
18 consumers, workers, and other license holders. We need  
19 a team of leaders at the helm who are not scared to do  
20 what is right to keep this industry on track and to  
21 protect patients, even if it means traveling in  
22 uncharted territory.

23           There are lots of different places to be a  
24 businessman, a lawyer, or a public servant, but as  
25 cannabis commissioners, you are uniquely positioned to

1 have a direct impact on healthcare now and for the  
2 future. Other states look to New Jersey Cannabis  
3 program and our approach -- and we're approaching a  
4 tipping point in federal scheduling. So I can't help  
5 but wonder, is this the year when the New Jersey  
6 Medical Program fizzles out or is this the year when we  
7 actually innovate and set a new standard for medical  
8 cannabis?

9 THE SECRETARY: 30 seconds.

10 MS. RAIBLE: I ask you to reflect what do  
11 you want your impact to be? What do you want your  
12 legacy to be? I think New Jersey has the potential to  
13 be great. A few things just slipped through the  
14 cracks. I would wanna applaud commissioners Hoeunou,  
15 Nash and Mapp for managing a three person commission  
16 for so long with grace and resilience. And I look  
17 forward to what can be accomplished now with  
18 Commissioner Laufer on the team. Thank you.

19 THE SECRETARY: Thank you Andrea. I'm  
20 going to go over the list again for those that didn't  
21 speak. Donald Campbell, last four of the telephone  
22 number 9605, Donald Campbell. Thomas Norcia, last four  
23 of the telephone number 2407. Erin Gore, last four of  
24 the telephone number is 5483. Michael Brennan, last  
25 four of the telephone number is 5226. I don't see

1 those people. Chairwoman Houenou, this will conclude  
2 the registered speakers we have for today's public  
3 meeting.

4 CHAIR: Thank you, Mr. Said. And thank  
5 you to those who spoke today to share their thoughts,  
6 their experiences, and their suggestions for the  
7 commission. With that, this concludes the business  
8 that we have before us today. And I move that we  
9 adjourn. Is there a second?

10 MR. LAUFER: Second.

11 CHAIR: Seconded by Commissioner Laufer.  
12 Is there any discussion on this motion to motion to  
13 adjourn? Hearing no discussion, all those in favor say  
14 aye?

15 MS. MAPP: Aye.

16 VICE CHAIR: Aye.

17 MR. LAUFER: Aye.

18 CHAIR: All those opposed say nay? Any  
19 abstentions? Motion passes. The time is 1:03 and we  
20 are adjourned. Thank you everyone, and we will see you  
21 at the next board meeting. Take care.

22 (Meeting concluded)

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