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56 Michigan County Prosecutors Say No to Legalizing Recreational Marijuana

Lansing MI: 56 of Michigan's 83 County Prosecutors are making a public statement today in releasing their names to support Healthy and Productive Michigan's efforts to defeat Proposal 18.1 which aims to legalize recreational marijuana.

Scott Greenlee, President of Healthy and Productive Michigan said, *"In every county, there is a top Law Enforcement voice - and that is the County Prosecutor. They stand in the courtrooms, grapple with issues confronting families, work alongside the men and women who wear the Law Enforcement uniform, and represent the everyday citizens in the quest for Justice. They "get" what issues weave their way through our communities. We are honored to have them stand with us!"*

In September, regional press conferences took place around the state where Prosecutors and Law Enforcement came together to make a public statement that Proposal 18.1 is bad for Michigan.

The Chair of the Prosecutor effort, Cass County Prosecutor Vic Fitz said, *"Unfortunately as County Prosecutors, we see the negative impacts that access to drugs have on the lives of Michigan citizens. We passionately believe that unleashing recreational marijuana with unlimited potency levels will have a disastrous impact on our state."*

Greenlee continued, *"What would we be as a state if our top Law Enforcement did not sound the alarm? They see what is happening in Colorado where Drug Cartels are expanding (per the [NBC May 29 report](#)), where homelessness is increasing and the crime culture is expanding, not shrinking. They see the harm that unrestrained access to this drug will bring to Michigan."*

Following is a current list of the Prosecutors who are standing with us. The list can also be found on our website and will continue to be updated at healthyandproductivemi.org/endorsements

ENDORISING PROSECUTORS AND THEIR COUNTY:

| County | Prosecutor |
|----------------|----------------------|
| Alcona | Thomas Weichel |
| Alger | Karen Bahrman |
| Allegan | Myrene Koch |
| Alpena | Edward Black |
| Antrim | James Rossiter |
| Arenac | Curtis Broughton |
| Baraga | Joseph O'Leary |
| Barry | Julie Nakfoor Pratt |
| Benzie | Sara Swanson |
| Berrien | Michael Sepic |
| Calhoun | David Gilbert |
| Cass | Victor Fitz |
| Charlevoix | Allen Telgenhof |
| Cheboygan | Daryl Vizina |
| Clare | Michelle Ambrozaitis |
| Clinton | Charles Sherman |
| Delta | Brett Gardner |
| Dickinson | Lisa Richards |
| Eaton | Douglas Lloyd |
| Emmet | James Linderman |
| Gogebic | Nick Jacobs |
| Grand Traverse | Robert Cooney |
| Gratiot | Keith Kushion |
| Hillsdale | Neal Brady |
| Huron | Timothy Rutkowski |
| Ionia | Kyle Butler |
| Iosco | Gary Rapp |
| Iron | Melissa Powell |
| Isabella | Robert Holmes |
| Jackson | Jerry Jarzynka |
| Kent | Christopher Becker |
| Lake | Craig Cooper |
| Leelanau | Joseph Hubbell |
| Livingston | Bill Vaillencourt |
| County | Prosecutor |

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| Mackinac | J. Stuart Spencer |
| Macomb | Eric Smith |
| Manistee | Jason Haag |
| Marquette | Matt J. Wiese |
| Mason | Paul Spaniola |
| Mecosta | Brian Thiede |
| Midland | J. Dee Brooks |
| Montcalm | Andrea Krause |
| Muskegon | DJ Hilson |
| Newaygo | Ellsworth Stay |
| Oceana | Joseph Bizon |
| Osceola | Anthony Badovinac |
| Ottawa | Ron Frantz |
| Roscommon | Mary Beebe |
| Saginaw | John McColgan |
| Shiawassee | Deana Finnegan |
| St. Clair | Michael Wendling |
| St. Joseph | John McDonough |
| Tuscola | Mark Reene |
| Van Buren | Michael Bedford |
| Wexford | Jason Elmore |

Healthy and Productive Michigan is an organization committed to stopping recreational marijuana in Michigan. To learn more, donate, or volunteer please go to www.healthyandproductivemi.org and find us on Facebook at Healthy and Productive Michigan.

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