

**Young Democrats of Mesa State College
Resolution No. 06-10**

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL MORITORIUM ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES AND OPPOSING REFERRED MEASURE 1A.

On October 4, 2010, Grand Junction City Council will have hearings on medical marijuana dispensaries in the city of Grand Junction. The Young Democrats (Mesa State College branch) have included this decision going forward through the Grand Junction City Council and Referred Measure 1A on the November 2010 ballot for Mesa County voters into the same resolution due to the issue being the same.

Referred Measure 1A is a Mesa County initiated ballot measure. It has been certified for consideration by the voters of Mesa County in the State of Colorado during the November 2010 election.

- Referred Measure 1A starts the process to infringe on the State Constitutional Amendment voted on by the citizens of the State of Colorado that allows medical marijuana to be used by those with a physician's order.
- Referred Measure 1A and the Grand Junction City Council's moratorium would make those with a physician's order unable to receive their prescription which is **not** sold through traditional pharmacies.
- Grand Junction City Council's moratorium would start process to infringe on the State Constitutional Amendment voted on by the citizens of the State of Colorado which allows medical marijuana to be used by those with a physician's order.
- Referred Measure 1A and the Grand Junction City Council's moratorium places Mesa County and Grand Junction in a backward thinking environment instead of a forward thinking culture.
- Instead of Referred Measure 1A and the Grand Junction City Council's moratorium, both would be better served by placing measures on the November 2011 ballot asking voters if special taxes should be sought on the dispensaries. .

After consideration, the Young Democrats (Mesa State College branch) has determined that both Referred Measure 1A and the moratorium set by the City of Grand Junction are not the appropriate approach and also place a undue burden on those prescribed medical marijuana by a physician.

The Young Democrats (Mesa State College branch) recognizes the citizens of Colorado voted in a Constitutional Amendment making this drug a legal option for pain management. We also recognize that an undue burden on those prescribed this medication should not be imposed by the State, County or Municipal Government(s) that governs the people that voted for the Amendment, and those that didn't but reside in the State of Colorado.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Young Democrats (Mesa State College branch), by a majority vote of those present at the September 29, 2010 meeting, voted to **oppose** Referred Measure 1A and **any** Grand Junction City Council's moratorium on dispensaries, and to make it a part of our platform to **oppose** Referred Measure 1A and **any** Grand Junction City Council's moratorium on

dispensaries. We urge Democrat voters, along with all voters, to defeat the measure for the reasons stated.

Dated this 29th day of September 2010.

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