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### **MSSNY APPLAUDS LAURA CURRAN FOR HER OPPOSITION TO MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IN NASSAU COUNTY**

**Statement attributable to:**

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“With more and more groups including PTAs, county health officials, school administrators, physicians, and police urging against the legalization of recreational marijuana, we applaud Nassau County Executive Laura Curran for stating her objection to its legalization within her county. Serious concerns have been raised regarding the potential significant increase in teen usage as well as increased drugged driving. We encourage other county executives across the state of New York to raise similar objections and strongly consider similar “opt outs” should recreational or so-called “adult use” marijuana be ultimately legalized by the New York State Legislature.”

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