

The Greenway Wellness
Foundation Inc

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Commissioner Cheryl Bartlett
Department of Public Health
250 Washington Street, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Commissioner Bartlett:

As Mayor-Elect of the City of Brockton, I am submitting this letter in support of The Greenway Wellness Foundation's application to open and operate a medical marijuana dispensary in our community. The voters in Brockton supported the medical marijuana ballot initiative. Our community is ready for a dispensary and I feel strongly that The Greenway Wellness Foundation is best suited to run this type of organization in Brockton.

As a Board of Health Code Enforcement Officer, former School Committee Member and incoming mayor, I have seen that The Greenway has worked hard to consult and engage with community members in Brockton. I have had the privilege to meet John Greene, the organization's CEO, and firmly believe that he and his team would be able to responsibly and successfully operate a Registered Medical Marijuana Dispensary in our fine city. As a former School Committee member, I was very impressed by their plans for community outreach programs, educational and youth initiatives. All of which are very important to me. They have spoken with all stakeholders in the public and private sector in the city. They have met with me, as well as each of the current city councilors, councilors-elect, the City's Board of Health Director and all of our State Representatives to ensure transparency of their organization in Brockton and more importantly, educate all who are impacted by this industry.

The Greenway Board of Directors has strong community ties to Brockton and the surrounding area. They live and work in the area and have "skin in the game", especially when it comes to economic development and quality of life here. Their proposed location is one which falls within the proposed special zoning area designated by the city. The Greenway's attention to public safety and diversion concerns also reflect precisely the issues we would want considered by any dispensary in our city. The proposed location shows their attention to these issues and is a location in which I favor most in the proposed zoning area.

I am impressed by the backgrounds of The Greenway's management team and their focus on patients and a wellness-first approach to their business.

I appreciate you taking the time to review my thoughts on their application. If you have need of any additional information from me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

William Carpenter
Brockton Mayor-Elect