WHEREAS, recent scientific and medical reports have shown that marijuana is sometimes effective in alleviating the disabling and unpleasant side effects (such as violent and unremitting vomiting and nausea) that often occur as a result of cancer chemotherapy treatments; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific and medical reports have also shown that marijuana is effective in reducing the blinding increases in eye pressure caused by glaucoma; and

WHEREAS, the medical use of marijuana has been supported by such diverse groups as the National Association of Attorney’s General, the American Bar Association, the American Cancer Society, the American Academy of Ophthalmology, and the American Medical Association; and

WHEREAS, thirty-four states have passed legislation authorizing the medical use of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, many controlled substances are available by prescription to control suffering and cure illness; and

WHEREAS, marijuana is currently classified by the Federal Government as a Schedule I drug, thereby preventing the drug’s prescriptive availability for use in the treatment of serious medical disorders;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the {insert state legislative body} calls on the Federal Government to reclassify marijuana from Schedule I to Schedule II of the Controlled Substance Act of 1970 and to cooperate with states that wish to make marijuana available on a prescription basis to patients undergoing chemotherapy of suffering from glaucoma or other serious illness.