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To: Drug Enforcement Administration
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Subject: Notice of Intention to Participate in DEA Hearing on Proposed Rescheduling of Marijuana (Docket No. DEA-1362)

Dear Administrator,

I, Jason K. Castro, am writing to formally notify you of my intention to participate in the upcoming hearing on December 2, 2024, regarding the proposed rescheduling of marijuana from Schedule I to Schedule III of the Controlled Substances Act.

1. Interest in the Proceeding:

As In-House Counsel for The Doc App, Inc., doing business as My Florida Green, I represent a platform that serves over 41,000 medical marijuana patients in Florida. Over the past eight years, we have invested more than \$2 million into building a compliant and patient-centric platform that empowers patients and doctors in navigating the complexities of medical marijuana treatment. Given the impact this rescheduling could have on both patients and providers, I intend to address critical issues related to federal mandates for data sharing, API access from dispensaries, and regulatory alignment.

2. Issues to be Addressed:

During the hearing, I plan to cover several important topics:

- **Federal Mandates for Data Access:** I will advocate for the federal government to mandate that states provide critical data to medical marijuana cardholders and grant platforms like ours access to API information from federally approved dispensaries. This would empower patients to make informed decisions and ensure compliance with state and federal laws.
- **The Role of The Doc App in Transforming Patient Care:** I will highlight how our platform offers detailed analytics on the efficacy of different strains and forms of marijuana, enabling patients to optimize their treatment. I will also discuss our efforts to enhance the system with real-time tracking of patients' 70-day rolling allotment, preventing unintentional overuse.
- **Regulatory Alignment:** I will address the challenges posed by the current patchwork of state and federal regulations and advocate for a more unified approach. This would reduce confusion for both patients and providers, streamline compliance, and improve the overall effectiveness of medical marijuana programs nationwide.

3. Position on the Issues:

While I support the rescheduling of marijuana to Schedule III, I believe it presents an opportunity to ensure that patients across the country have consistent and equitable access to the tools and data they need to manage their treatment effectively. Federal mandates on data sharing and API access would ensure compliance, improve care, and empower patients nationwide.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this hearing. Please confirm receipt of this notice and provide any additional instructions or requirements for participation.

Sincerely,

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