

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE O

Vote NO on Measure O

Measure O will repeal San Bernardino City's ban on the sale and cultivation of marijuana.

Even though the harmful effects of marijuana are well-documented the proponents continue to advocate for its legalization. The legalization experiment in Colorado and Washington is a disaster. The "Regulate and Control" policy attempt has failed, yielding huge increases in underage and adult use, and drugged driving. According to the 2015 Rocky Mountain HIDTA data, marijuana poisonings were up 148% in Colorado: up 153% among children 0 to 5 years old.

In Washington, one-third of all DUI cases now test positive for THC, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana. Drivers in fatal accidents with THC in their blood increased over 120% from 2010 to 2014. 49% of young adults (ages 18-25) who used marijuana in the past month had driven a car within three hours of getting high. Marijuana driving fatalities nearly match alcohol driving fatalities. Marijuana poisoning calls to the State Poison Center rose 54% from 2012 to 2014. Source: Northwest (HIDTA) office in Seattle.

According to a public health analysis published by UC San Francisco in February 2016, the advertising and marketing restriction included in Proposition 64 (The Adult Use of Marijuana Act included on the November 2016 California state ballot) will NOT prevent targeting underage persons or other vulnerable populations.

Marijuana legalization will be disastrous for our community. Let's protect our youth and keep our streets safe by voting NO on Measure O.

s/ R. Carey Davis, Mayor, City of San Bernardino
s/ James L. Mulvihill, San Bernardino 7th Ward Council Member
s/ Fred Shorett, San Bernardino 4th Ward Council Member
s/ Virginia Marquez, San Bernardino 1st Ward Council Member
s/ Darren Espiritu, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

Signature:

Signature:

Signature:

Signature:

Signature:

8/29/2016

8-29-2016

8/29/16


8/29/16

8/29/16

FILED

SEP 08 2016

BY



DEPUTY

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

2016 AUG 29 AM 8:15

RECEIVED - CITY CLERK