

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Nevada has recently taken steps to research psychedelic medicines, which have significantly advanced, to understand the human mind and the benefits of therapeutic treatments that may result in a meaningful decrease of suffering for people with certain psychiatric disorders—some patients remarking that the treatment is in the top five most significant experiences of their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, Formed in 1979, the Nevada Psychiatric Association (NPA) was created to promote and improve the care of persons with mental disorders; prevent psychiatric disabilities; provide professional education; and encourage the best interests of patients and those actually or potentially making use of mental health services, rehabilitation, research, and treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, The NPA is host to the 29<sup>th</sup> National Psychopharmacology Update in Las Vegas, Nevada, that includes the “Back to the Future: Psychedelics in Psychiatry and Mental Health PreConference,” which invites top researchers and professionals to discuss breakthroughs in psychedelic treatments, brain plasticity, and neuroscience; and

**WHEREAS**, Psychedelics and other substances, including psilocybin, 3,4-Methylenedioxy-methamphetamine (MDMA), and ketamine, show promising results for treatment with first responders; veterans; and people suffering with anxiety, depression, eating disorders, neurodegenerative disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, psychological distress relating to the end of life, traumatic brain injuries, and substance use disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, The “Back to the Future: Psychedelics in Psychiatry and Mental Health PreConference” will help bring together and educate psychiatrists and other mental health professionals practicing endoflife care, MDMA assisted psychotherapy, neuroscience, psilocybin therapy across psychiatric disorders, and the relevance that psychedelics have to the future of healing and prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, In the past, the subject of mental illness and psychedelics was surrounded with mystery, stigma, and fear but much progress has been made in analyzing and applying effective treatment plans that people can trust and rely on for better mental health; now, therefore, be it

**PROCLAIMED**, That Nevadans greatly benefit by having further conversations within the professional health community on research and medical implementations that will relieve the anguish caused by mental health disorders and witness how psychedelics may be a core element of comprehensive treatment strategies; and be it further

**PROCLAIMED**, That the Nevada Psychiatric Association is recognized and appreciated for its leadership in progressive mental health patient management resulting in substantial life improvements.

**DATED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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