Dear [Name of Your Legislator],

I am writing as your constituent to encourage you to support drug policy reform for psychedelic medicines. These substances have the potential to help people suffering from a variety of mental health conditions. Our current treatment model based around pharmaceutical options is a failure for millions of people who are resistant to SSRi’s or who suffer from the debilitating side effects that result from taking them. Psychedelic medicine is a cost effective, safe, and fast acting solution.

It is estimated that every day, around 20 U.S. combat veterans die by suicide–some studies estimate up to 40.. Since 9/11, we’re seeing more veteran suicides every year due to the emotional and physical injuries of war. Many of the heroes we are losing are fighting mostly invisible battles with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) after returning home. Psychedelic medicines will not just relieve suffering, they will save the lives of our veterans and first responders.

Recent studies by top academic institutions such as Johns Hopkins, Harvard, Stanford, NYU & UC Berkely have repeatedly demonstrated that psychedelic medicines hold remarkable therapeutic value. When used in conjunction with psychedelic-assisted therapy, they can help individuals with depression, anxiety, PTSD, TBI, addiction, OCD and eating disorders. In addition, research is currently underway to explore the potential benefits of psilocybin for treating neurodegenerative diseases such as Parkinson’s and Alzheimer’s.

However, current drug policies in Nevada and in the rest of the country classify psychedelics as Schedule I substances, putting undue restrictions on research and hindering patient’s access to these treatments. I believe that these restrictions are unjustified and that we should reconsider our approach to these substances.

I urge you to consider supporting drug policy reform for psychedelics, specifically the regulated legalization of entheogenic plants such as psilocybin, Ibogaine, and DMT, in addition to MDMA. By doing so, we can work towards regulated legalization and reduced penalties that will benefit hundreds of thousands of Nevadans currently diagnosed with

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope you will join me in supporting this important cause.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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