Dear Governor Paterson,
We the undersigned call on you to adopt a system to allow adult use that will tax and regulate cannabis (and hemp as an industrial crop for food, paper, fuel and more). The federal government has yielded jurisdiction over cannabis hemp to the individual states. Each state can now adopt whatever laws it wishes regarding cannabis, including its regulation and taxation. Legislation has already been introduced in California to do so. New York could realize at least $65.5 million annually in new tax revenues (CNN) and cut the cost of health care because of its benefits as a natural medicine. We would also save millions in NY on police, court, jail and prisons. Prison is the last place we should be putting productive citizens who should be out in the NY workforce, improving our economy. Police resources are best spent on violent crimes, not consensual adult cannabis use.

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