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“THIS BILL, THIS TIME!”: JACKI RICKERT MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT A STEP FORWARD FOR WISCONSINITES IN PAIN

Madison & Mondovi: With Wisconsin’s Jacki Rickert Medical Marijuana Act AB554/SB368 set to be rolled out at a State Capitol press conference Monday morning, IMMLY Founder Jacki Rickert and IMMLY director of Communications Gary Storck, both longtime medical cannabis patient-activists, have each issued statements:

Jacki Rickert – “I would like to quote a line from a song my friend Rick Harris wrote called *‘Legal Medicine Blues’*, ‘I never wanted to break the law but I hurt too bad to pretend’. Well, I stopped pretending years ago, before most current legislators were first elected. I am so happy that after so many years, we have reached the point where the cannabis therapy my late doctor William Wright worked so hard to get approved for me seems within reach. It’s tragic so many did not even make it to today, like our friend Mary Powers, who spent her last months in this building asking legislators to pass this bill. For many medical marijuana patients there will be no more do-overs. This bill, this time!”

Gary Storck – “I stumbled upon medical cannabis in 1972 as a means to save my remaining vision from severe congenital glaucoma. After decades of working to see this therapy relegalized and enduring many dark years with no hope that this medicine might be legal for patients like Jacki and me, I now feel that all of that is about to change, and Wisconsinites will soon be free to utilize medical cannabis again. Rep. Pocan and Sen. Erpenbach are true public servants for listening to the people and giving hope this can be resolved and that compassion might no longer be a crime.”

Is My Medicine Legal YET? is a Mondovi and Madison Wisconsin based grass roots patient and caregiver organization dedicated to advancing public education about the medicinal benefits of cannabis. For further information contact Jacki Rickert at 715.926.4950 or Gary Storck at 608.241.8922 or visit the IMMLY websites at www.IMMLY.org and www.JRMMA.org.