

10 February, 2017

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTION**

The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon has given notice on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017 that she proposes to move the following motion at the meeting of Parliament:

“THIS HOUSE:

NOTES the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted by the United Nations in 1948 which considers the right for people to receive medical treatment;

NOTES that the international medical community has proven that cannabis flower and oil can be used for medicinal purposes;

NOTES that the GHA already prescribes opiates and other sedative drugs such as Diazepam and Diamorphine;

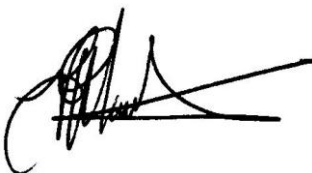
NOTES that there are a great number of patients in Gibraltar who suffer from ailments which could be treated successfully with cannabis;

NOTES that at present the Government has provided Sativex in very limited cases but not widely available to sufferers;

NOTES that the full plant extract has been known to be more effective than Sativex, both anecdotally, and clinically, and therefore the need for a comprehensive cannabis program is required, through which sufferers can obtain different variants of cannabis medicine, whether it be Sativex, the flower itself, oil extractions, or any other number of variations;

AND THEREFORE RESOLVES that medical professionals within the GHA should be free to prescribe medical cannabis for needy patients immediately and without delay, and should also be given expert training on as to how and when cannabis-based medicines could be prescribed;

FURTHER RESOLVES that the proper legislative framework for a proper cannabis program be introduced and provided by the Gibraltar Government for this to happen.”



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Clerk to the Parliament