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Hash Bash April 2014

This is the tenth anniversary of when I first spoke at Hash Bash. Ten years ago I left my kindergarten teaching job to organize and finance the Ann Arbor Medical Marijuana Charter Amendment, which won the support of 3 out of ~~4~~ 4 voters.

I feel that cannabis saved my life in 1968 when I was struggling with huge stomach pain. Within a highly disciplined life, I have smoked cannabis nearly every day for 47 years. If there was ^{some} ~~any~~ thing wrong with it I would have noticed. ~~by now~~.

You have seen progress in the 10 years ~~since~~ I have been working on this. I am proud to work with Tim and Justin and Ben and all our heroic local leaders affiliated with the Safer Michigan Coalition.

Our movement is growing fast; our truth will triumph, we will win. Cannabis is good for health, good for wealth, good for the USA and good for planet earth.

We know that Cannabis prohibition has nothing to do with cannabis – it is about building the police state. "Drug war" is a successful but brutally anti-American system of social control, (not drug control obviously) and the prison industry is bigger than the auto industry.

Drug War did not fail! It succeeded so well at building a police state that the fascists can drop it now, since the new excuse of "terrorism" seems to allow the police state to do anything.

Consciousness is the great human rights issue of our time! Without freedom of consciousness no other freedom has meaning.

Reefer Madness has crashed and it's burning, cannabis enlightenment is cutting through the fog. We must keep our behavior excellent, and our advocacy constant.

We must each take PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHANGING ONE PERSONS MIND! We must be bold and public about our beliefs, now that most Americans think cannabis should be legal. Never forget how brutally our people are still treated.

All marijuana prisoners must be immediately freed from jail, all criminal records wiped clean – and the USA must never again consider the idea that a plant could be illegal in the “land of the free”, let alone the most beautiful, useful, healing, teaching, spiritual plant of them all.

THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO HURT PEOPLES LIVES OVER CANNABIS HAVE NO FURTHER MORAL DEFENSE. Most Americans want cannabis prohibition finished. The jig is up, the dark time is over, Cannabis prohibition must fall (fast) like the Berlin Wall. The Nuremburg trials after WWII firmly established that “just following orders” was no defense for moral evil. Anyone who arrests or incarcerates a cannabis lover better hope there is no such thing as karma – or a god who sits in judgment, since they would be likely to be reincarnated as a maggot, or burn forever in hell. Yes, I am angry that our basic American freedoms have been destroyed by a “big lie” about a plant.

Our Safer Michigan Coalition knows that the best defense is a good offense. This year we will give the patriotic voters in a dozen Michigan cities a voice, a chance to vote on a marijuana law reform proposal – and these voters will pound another dozen nails into the coffin of cannabis prohibition.

Cannabis prohibition is “domestic terrorism”.

We will win ^{all} ~~everyone~~ of our contests in 2014, and go on to legalization in 2016, but only if we get some money. Please come to the Fundraiser for all 2014 Campaigns at Dominics, right back here on Monroe street. Thursday June 5, 7:00 PM. Please get a check to the Safer Michigan Coalition. Please help! Thursday June 5! ^{Fundraiser} ~~2 months from now~~. **We need to win them all!**

~~Thank you to those who helped.~~