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UPCOMING FOCUS GROUPS LOOKING TO GATHER FEEDBACK ON THE SIX NATIONS CANNABIS CONTROL LAW AHEAD OF YEARLY REVIEW

OHSWEKEN, ON — The Six Nations Cannabis Commission will be hosting community engagement sessions to collect feedback on the Six Nations Cannabis Control Law. The Commission has been mandated to review the law on a yearly basis and make any recommendations for amendments to the law to Six Nations of the Grand River.

The Commission has identified the following groups as stakeholders to the Cannabis Law within the community: Educators and Parents, Youth and Elders, Cannabis Businesses, Six Nations Residents and Six Nations Community Service Providers. These stakeholders are invited to participate in focus groups where they may give collective feedback on the areas of the Cannabis Law that relate to their grouping.

“As the largest First Nations community in Canada, Six Nations has a variety of perspectives about how cannabis, its use and the cannabis industry will impact the community,” said Six Nations Cannabis Commission Chairperson Nahnda Garlow. “It is important that all of those perspectives are honoured, given the time and space to be heard and all feedback taken into consideration in this review of the law.”

Community voices will also be given an opportunity to provide feedback on the Cannabis Law through completing a survey that will be available both online and in print at the Six Nations of the Grand River Central Administration building.

The first meeting will be a focus group for those interested in working in the cannabis industry on Six Nations in any capacity. It will be at the Six Nations Social Services Gym on February 12, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.. Dates and times for focus groups for Educators and Parents, Youth and Elders, and Six Nations Residents will be announced on the Six Nations Cannabis Commission Facebook page and in local media.

ABOUT THE SIX NATIONS CANNABIS CONTROL LAW: On February 25, 2019, Six Nations of the Grand River passed the Six Nations Cannabis Control Law after receiving feedback gathered from a number of community engagement sessions over the fall and winter months of 2018. The passing of the law is aimed at providing health, wellness and safety for all members of Six Nations of the Grand River while securing economic sovereignty leading to the prosperity of present and future generations.

ABOUT THE SIX NATIONS CANNABIS COMMISSION: In May 2019, Six Nations of the Grand River established the Six Nations Cannabis Commission to administer the Six Nations Cannabis Control Law in the best interest of the people of Six Nations, in accordance with the highest principles of health, safety, security, honesty and integrity. For more information contact Samantha Powless via email: samanthapowless@sixnations.ca