I work at a medical facility dispensing cannabis. I see daily the results of this plant helping patients to reduce or eliminate their use of opioids and steroids, to reduce their anxiety and tension from PTSD, and to provide significant relief for their arthritis.

Why are we still denying adult citizens access to something that is less harmful, yet more effective than Tylenol or Ibuprofen? Why are we denying an agricultural state the opportunity to plant and harvest this cash crop? Why are we not utilizing the tax revenue created to fund other opportunities for our citizens and businesses? Because of the stigma and taboos that have been built around this plant for decades. My hope is that our state legislatures take into consideration facts about cannabis and ignore these taboos and stigmas when considering adult use.

It is time to stop this prohibition and make this plant accessible to all the freedom loving North Dakota residents who would like to utilize it. Thanks.