



OFFICIAL STATEMENT

To: The Madonna University Community:

Official Statement on the Proposed Medical Amnesty Clause

At Madonna University, we pride ourselves in following the Franciscan Values upon which we were founded upon. We find that these values, including The Respect for the Dignity of Each Person, are incredibly relevant to this amendment.

We, the student governing body of Madonna University, find that this clause of Medical Amnesty is necessary, not just in our mission to uphold our Franciscan Values but to help make sure faculty and students can get the help they need. In addition, Medical Amnesty would grant **limited** protection from legal prosecution for underage intoxication or incapacitation caused by the intake of prohibited substances or underage drinking, which is necessary for the health and safety of our student body.

The Student Senate backs this proposal in hopes that it will protect and assist in helping the students who need it for many years to come. We do not condone the consumption of alcohol by minors, especially on campus, but the safety of our students in the case that they do consume illicit substances, regardless of our wishes, is our first concern and priority.

We, in Student Senate, will continue to support proposals and policies that ensure the safety and well-being of our students, staff, faculty, and other members of our community.

Respectfully,

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