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**Harvest Health & Recreation Inc. Appoints Two
Local Strategic Advisors to Massachusetts Team**

*New Appointments Draw Community Leadership from
Boston Police Department and City of Boston Ombudsman*

Feb. 28, 2019 -- PHOENIX -- [Harvest Health & Recreation Inc.](#) (CSE: HARV, OTCQX: HRVSE), a vertically integrated public cannabis company with one of the largest footprints in the U.S., announced the appointments of two new local advisors, who will focus on helping guide the strategic direction of the company in the City of Boston. The City of Boston Ombudsman and humanitarian executive [J. Larry Mayes](#) will serve as the Strategic Advisor for Humanitarian and Public Affairs, and 34-year veteran of the Boston Police Department Detective and former president of Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers, Inc. (MAMLEO) Larry Ellison joins the company as the Assistant Director of Security. Mayes and Ellison have also agreed to become minority equity owners of Harvest Health & Recreation Inc.'s subsidiary applicant entity Suns Mass, Inc.

“We are thrilled to welcome Larry Mayes and Larry Ellison to our team,” said Harvest Health & Recreation Inc. (Harvest) Founder and CEO Steve White. “Both leaders are highly respected experts in their fields, who bring an invaluable understanding of key issues in the City of Boston and its diverse communities. With their guidance, we will work to strengthen our understanding of key issues facing the City of Boston and drive more responsible policies and practices forward that ensure a responsible cannabis industry is implemented across the City.”

About J. Larry Mayes

J. Larry Mayes, a current resident of Hyde Park, brings two decades of experience working with government officials, elected officials and community leaders to create public safety initiatives and drive human development and social capital forward.

In 2014, Mayes was appointed by the City of Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh as the [Community Ombudsman Oversight Panel](#) (CO-OP), which reviews Boston Police Department Internal Affairs Division cases that are on appeal from citizens and certain investigated cases.

From 2004 to 2010, Mayes served as the Cabinet Chief of Human Services under the Mayor Thomas M. Menino Administration. In that role, he led: joint government- and community-based initiatives focused on reducing crime and stabilize communities; launching a campaign to

counter “Stop Snitching” sentiments in the court system; and expanding access to summer programs for youth. Mayes has also served on the boards of several human services organizations, including [Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center](#), [The Greater Boston Food Bank](#) and [Tenacity](#), which works to close the opportunity and achievements gaps and increase high school and college graduation for Boston Public School students.

Throughout his career, Mr. Mayes has been a contributor to the *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *Commonwealth Magazine*, CNN, WBUR, ABC News, along with a variety of other media outlets. Mayes holds a Master of Arts in Public Policy from Regent University.

About Larry Ellison

In 1982, a year after graduation from South Boston High School, Larry Ellison entered the [Boston Police Academy](#) as a cadet at the same time he was pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice at [Northeastern University](#) on a full academic scholarship. Upon graduation from the Boston Police Academy in 1985, Ellison served at a number of District Area Stations.

From 1989 to 2005, Larry served as a Boston Police Department Detective working in the Narcotics Division. Then in 2005, Ellison was assigned to the Boston School Unit Investigations, where he continues to serve.

In 2010 and serving five consecutive terms, Ellison was elected President of the [Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers, Inc.](#) (MAMLEO), a 400 member organization that advocates for more minority officers in higher positions, protection of minority officers’ rights and provides pro bono attorneys in challenging lawsuits. During his tenure at MAMLEO, Ellison focused on forming strong partnerships with community agencies for youth programming, food basket giveaways at Thanksgiving time, toy drives at Christmas and working to encourage MAMLEO membership to volunteer in neighborhoods. Upon ending his tenure as president of MAMLEO, Ellison stated to the membership, “I know it is not an easy fight, but it is simply wrong if someone is intimidated when voicing their rights. We can help pave the way. I know I can, and we can be the change agent for our future, just like someone has done for us.” After three decades serving in the Boston Police Department, Larry remains committed and determined to see his peers and incoming police members treated fairly and given the same level of access to promotions.

Larry and his wife Monique live in the Greater Boston area with their daughter Lauren.

About Harvest Health & Recreation, Inc.

Harvest Health & Recreation Inc. is one of the first consistently profitable, vertically integrated cannabis companies with one of the largest footprints in the U.S. Harvest’s complete vertical solution includes industry-leading cultivation, manufacturing, and retail facilities, construction, real estate, technology, operational, and brand building expertise — leveraging in-house legal, HR and marketing teams, along with proven experts in writing and winning state-based applications. The company has more than 525 employees with proven experience, expertise and

knowledge of in-house best practices that are drawn upon whenever Harvest enters new markets. Harvest's executive team is comprised of leaders in finance, compliance, real estate and operations. Since its founding in 2011, Harvest has grown its footprint every year, has been ranked as the third largest cultivator in the U.S. and currently owns licenses for more than 130 facilities across the U.S. Harvest shares timely updates and releases as part of its regular course of business with the media and the interested public. For more information, visit: <https://www.harvestinc.com/>.

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