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## PLDO Client Sweetspot Dispensary Opens Innovative Consulting and Delivery Service Facility for RI's Medical Marijuana Patients

Rhode Island – June 21, 2022 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O'Gara LLC (PLDO) is pleased to announce that its client, Plant Based Compassionate Care, d/b/a Sweetspot Dispensary, opened a new medical marijuana dispensary in South Kingstown, becoming the first compassion center to open in Rhode Island in eight years. Plant Based Compassionate Care was one of five marijuana dispensary applicants selected in the Rhode Island Office of Cannabis Regulation lottery last fall to pursue a final license within the State by satisfying rigorous regulatory requirements. The new medical marijuana center will serve as a consulting and delivery services facility for patients throughout Rhode Island.

PLDO Partner Benjamin L. Rackliffe served as legal advisor for Sweetspot Dispensary through the final licensing process, collaborating with the RI Office of Cannabis Regulation (OCR) and the town of South Kingstown to secure all necessary licensing and approvals, which led to the successful launch of its client's innovative cannabis services center.

In addition, Scott Fraser, Senior Director of Communications and Public Affairs for PLDO Strategies, the firm's legislative, government relations and strategic communications and consulting arm, provided media relations services that resulted in multiple news articles and broadcast interviews about Sweetspot Dispensary's opening and services to the public.

PLDO's cannabis advisory team, led by Attorney Rackliffe, has guided dozens of licensed cultivation companies, manufacturers, dispensaries and medical compassion centers throughout New England, from start-up through licensed operations.

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