



**Statement by Penny Morrell, State Director
Concerned Women for America of Maine
Regarding “No on 1 Campaign” Press Conference
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Concerned Women for America of Maine’s Core Issues includes the family. We work to protect the family from harmful, progressive, ill-thought-out experimental ideas so prevalent in our society today. It is our desire to secure the safety of Maine’s children from the harmful effects of growing drug usage in our state.

I would like to thank Matt Gagnon for his dedicated leadership to the No on 1 Campaign to protect our state from the harms of further drug access. Concerned Women for America of Maine is proud to stand with him and so many other organizations and individuals to work to prevent this issue from passing. Even though we lost in our efforts, we still have lots of work to do.

John Morris, Commissioner of the Maine Department of Public Safety, has identified many unintended consequences, like more [crime](#), [crashes and traffic deaths](#) as well as [hospital visits](#) by children that will burden our health care and law enforcement systems.

Proof of this and more information may be found on our coalition website: notonmymainestreet.com/.

We, as a coalition, will work with the Legislature in the upcoming session to assure the least harm results from passage of this law.

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