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United States Health Freedom Assembly Passes Resolutions!

Twenty seven organizations working for health freedom in the United States sat in an Assembly Round October 12 and 13, and made firm plans to increase and strengthen the voice of the health freedom movement in the United States. Hosted by National Health Freedom Coalition (NHFC) at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, MN, the United States Health Freedom Assembly brought a new level of solidarity and strength to the surge for health freedom.

In an effort to create strong coordination in the movement, building communication and collaboration between leading thinkers and strategists for freedom in health care, NHFC brought together **27 health freedom organizations and businesses** and 80 leaders committed to health freedom. The Assembly provided a space where differences could be debated in a collegial atmosphere, and commonalities could be identified and built upon. Assembly Voting Members debated six important issues that impact the right of all Americans to access healing practitioners, products and information that they desire.

In a culmination of two days of work and dialogue, the U.S. Health Freedom Assembly successfully passed **five important resolutions!!** Using a standard requiring 80% agreement, the Assembly crafted and endorsed resolutions that dealt with: **sovereignty of American law** over international guidelines and agreements such as CODEX; **safe harbor exemption laws for practitioners**; standards used in the determination of **safety of food and dietary supplements**; upon whom should the burden of proof be, regarding **burden of proof of safety** for foods and drugs, and a resolution to investigate ways of **coordinating information** within the health freedom movement.

NHFC plans to reconvene and host a United States Health Freedom Assembly within the next year. NHFC believes that a unified front is essential in preserving and enhancing health freedoms, and that the whole of the movement is greater than the sum of its parts.

The weekend featured great opportunities for enjoyment and education. Friday night, attorney Sandra Duffy, JD, delivered an outstanding presentation on her legal and legislative work to protect consumers from mercury poisoning from mercury amalgams, and her work with Health Freedom Washington protecting consumer access to unlicensed practitioners. Her presentation was preceded by a lively group circle led by inspirational presenter Alisa Starkweather who challenged us each to find what we stand for as we become "a force to be reckoned with."

Saturday night, Health Freedom Awards Banquet attendees had the honor of hearing Clinton Miller, the living legend of health freedom in the United States, speak about health freedom priorities. Health Freedom Leadership Awards were given to **six outstanding leaders**. On Sunday, Peter McCarthy, Deborah Miller JD, Ricky Gill, and Diane Miller JD, led workshops for health freedom leaders in order to help leaders hone their skills and be prepared to work for necessary legal and legislative changes.

Last year, NHFC hosted the launching of the World Health Freedom Assembly. This 2006 assembly crafted and endorsed the **International Declaration of Health Freedom**.

VIDEO TAPES AVAILABLE: The entire Friday and Saturday United States Health Freedom Assembly and Sunday's Leadership Training were videotaped, and we encourage you to **order tapes** of individual parts or the whole weekend. Download and mail **order form** or call 303-530-3153.

Thank you to our **conference sponsors** who made this conference possible.

We hope you will join us next year as the health freedom movement coalesces and unifies even more for progress. Stay tuned for dates to be announced!

If your organization would like to become a Voting Member of the United States Health Freedom Assembly, please contact us. Together, we can change the face of health care in this country!

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