

## CPPI CALLS ON CALIFF TO DELIVER SAFE AND AFFORDABLE IMPORTED MEDICINES FOR AMERICANS

WASHINGTON, DC, USA, December 14, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation released the following statement on Dr. Robert Califf's



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nomination to lead the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

"We call on Dr. Califf to deliver an immediate, bipartisan source of safe and affordable medicines: allowing Americans to import for personal use from licensed Canadian pharmacies,"



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said Jack Pfeiffer executive director of the Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation. "Dr. Califf has strong public support to act swiftly on this commonsense policy."

At the FDA, Califf could play a major role in delivering Americans access to lower prescription drugs costs. Nearly 80 percent of the Americans say it should be legal for Americans to purchase drugs from Canada according to POLITICO/Harvard surveys. Democrats, Republicans and Independents all show similarly high support for importation reports the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Addressing prescription drug prices has been a major priority for President Biden, Republicans and Democrats. During the presidential campaign, Biden pledged to take action to lower prescription drug costs by pursuing prescription importation.

In July, Biden signed an executive order encouraging states and tribal governments to apply for U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) approval for wholesale importation of prescription drugs from Canadian sellers.

"We hope that Dr. Califf's past <u>ties to pharmaceutical companies</u> do not cloud fair consideration of allowing importation of safe and affordable medicines from licensed Canadian pharmacies. Americans should not have to choose between putting food on their tables and affording their

life-saving medicines. CPPI strongly encourages Dr. Califf to support importation of prescription drugs for personal use."

About the Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation

CPPI is a national nonprofit patient advocacy organization that fights for Americans' access to safe, affordable prescription medications from Canada for personal use. Tens of millions of Americans – especially the elderly and others on fixed incomes – struggle to pay the extremely high price of prescription medications in the U.S. We are here to be their voice.

Millions of Americans use licensed Canadian pharmacies annually, to purchase their daily prescription medications at an affordable price. We believe that all Americans have a right to affordable medications. It is time to change the current U.S. policy on this issue to provide immediate access to life-saving medications, taken daily for chronic health conditions, at affordable prices.

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