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2012

# UNITED STATES HEALTH FREEDOM CONGRESS

A Gathering of State and National Health Freedom Organizations and Leaders



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Thursday, June 14, 2012

# Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel

1551 N. Thoreau Dr., Schaumburg, Illinois

# **CONGRESS PURPOSE**

To bring together key organizations and leaders in the United States Health Freedom movement;

To experience an egalitarian gathering of autonomous and diverse leaders, where leaders communicate face to face in a large round (Congress-style format);

To increase collaboration and inspire each other to unity and solidarity;

To identify top health freedom issues and topics that are impacting health freedom;

To find areas of common ground and pass resolutions;

To work together to identify strategies for enhanced health freedom; and

To celebrate the health freedom movement and give awards honoring successful leaders.

NHFC MISSION: To promote access to all health care information, services, treatments and products that the people deem beneficial for their own health and survival; to promote an understanding of the laws and factors impacting the right to access; and to promote the health of the people of this

National Health Freedom Coalition PMB 218, 2136 Ford Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55116-1863 507.663.9018 Phone 507.663.9013 Fax Welcome to the 2012 United States Health Freedom Congress: A Gathering of United States Health Freedom Organizations and Leaders. This Congress is **dedicated** to the goal of greater **Unity and Solidarity** in the Health Freedom Movement.

# Health Freedom Congress Participants

**Congress Voting** Members each have a seat in the Round at the Congress and will participate fully in the deliberations on health freedom issues and strategies. Many Voting Members have submitted potential resolutions prior to the Congress, and have contributed to the process of development of resolutions to be brought forward for deliberation.

### **Congress Observers**

are seated in a circle directly behind and surrounding the Congress.
Observers are welcome at the Meet and Greet,

# CONGRESS AT A GLANCE

Wednesday, June 13

# 7:00 pm Meet and Greet

including a special screening of The Power of Tyranny: Inside the FDA by Gary Null

# Thursday, June 14

8:00 am - 5:30 pm
United States
Health Freedom Congress

# 6:00 pm Health Freedom Awards Banquet

with Keynote Speaker Robert Scott Bell: "Who Creates Your Health Freedom Reality? The Talk That is Banned in 170 Countries"

and they will have full observation access to the Congress proceedings but they will not have microphone access or be able to vote or to participate in the deliberations of the Congress unless requested by the Congress itself.

## **Further Information**

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# **Schedule**

# Wednesday, June 13

# 7:00-9:00pm MEET AND GREET HEALTH FREEDOM ADVOCATES

Including a special screening of Gary Null's new documentary: *The Power of Tyranny: Inside the FDA* 

Room: Utopia C

# Thursday, June 14

8:00am-5:30pm UNITED STATES HEALTH FREEDOM CONGRESS

Room: Nirvana Ballroom

### MORNING PROGRAM

### 8:00-9:00am

REGISTRATION AND SEATING

### 9:00-9:10am

**WELCOME** by Marianne Lonergan Curtis, President, National Health Freedom Coalition

#### 9:10-9:20am

#### CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING

**REMARKS** by Diane Miller JD, Director of Law and Public Policy, NHFC/NHFA, "All Together We will Prevail in Freedom and Good Health"

#### 9:20-10:15am

**VOTING MEMBER** Individual Presenting Statements

10:15-10:30am: Break (Coffee, Tea and Snack Provided)

### 10:30-11:30am

**VOTING MEMBER** Individual Presenting Statements (continued)

# 11:30-12:00pm

RESOLUTION PROCESS: Explanation of Resolution Process, Review of past resolutions, Review of 2012 predrafted and submitted resolutions, Vote on endorsement of past resolutions.

12:00-1:15pm: Lunch (On Own)

# AFTERNOON PROGRAM

# 1:15-2:00pm

**VOTING:** Vote on Pre-drafted and Pre-submitted Resolutions

## 2:00-3:15pm

**VOTING MEMBER DISCUSSION:** Collaboration, Unity, Solidarity

3:15-3:30pm: Break

### 3:30-5:00pm

**VOTING MEMBER DISCUSSION:** (continued)

### 5:00-5:15pm

**NEW RESOLUTIONS:** Consideration of New Resolutions Precipitated by Discussions

#### 5:15-5:30 pm

**CLOSING SUMMARY** and Invitation to Awards Banquet by Moderators

#### **EVENING PROGRAM**

# 6:00-9:30pm

# **HEALTH FREEDOM AWARDS**

BANQUET Including Awardee presentations and a special keynote speech with Robert Scott Bell titled "Who Creates Your Health Freedom Reality? The Talk That is Banned in 170 Countries"

(Dinner Provided)
Room: Utopia A&B



Keynote Speech with Robert Scott Bell
"Who Creates Your

# **Health Freedom Reality?**

The Talk That is Banned in 170 Countries"

# **Robert Scott Bell**

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# 2012 Health Freedom Awardee Tributes

# Wynn Werner and NMCAAMP (New Mexico Complementary and Alternative Medicine Project)

Wynn Werner, an Ayurvedic practitioner, worked with a NMCAAMP team of activists to protect New Mexico health seekers' rights to access traditional, cultural, complementary and alternative health care therapies and remedies. They successfully introduced and lobbied New Mexico's "safe harbor health freedom bill", HB664, the "Unlicensed Health Care Practice Act". The bill was signed into law April 7, 2009. A 2007 New Mexico Senate Memorial bill stated: "New Mexico has a long history of cultural healers, including the curandera, sobaora, partera, mecia and arbolaira, and healing traditions, including plant medicines and foods, prayer, ceremony and song, and these traditions must be shared with current generations and preserved by future generations...". Werner is now Administrator of the Ayurvedic Institute, recognized as a leading Ayurvedic school and Ayurveda health spa outside of India, established in 1984 to teach the traditional Ayurvedic medicine of India and to provide these ancient therapies. Ayurvedic healing includes herbs, nutrition, panchakarma cleansing, acupressure massage, Yoga, Sanskrit, and Jyotish (Vedic astrology). www.nmcaamp.org

# Judith McGeary, JD, and the Farm and Ranch Freedom Alliance

Administrative law, litigation and appeals practice in a wide range of areas is only the beginning for attorney McGeary. In addition, Judith is also a farmer and one of the country's leading advocates for family farmers producing safe, nutritious food for local and regional markets. As the founder and executive director of the Farm and Ranch Freedom Alliance (FARFA), Judith has successfully fought federal and state policies that would harm small and sustainable farms. Most notably, FARFA was instrumental in building a coalition of 157 organizations to endorse the famous "Tester Amendment" on the Food Safety bill of 2011, protecting small sustainable farms. As a principal of Langley & McGeary, Judith combines her expertise in law and policy with her dedication to helping individuals."

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# 2012 Health Freedom Awardee Tributes (Cont'd)

# Becky Hanks and Virginians for Health Freedom

Becky Hanks and Virginians for Health Freedom successfully negotiated and lobbied a safe harbor health freedom amendment to a restrictive Virginia Massage Licensing Bill in 2012, in order to protect the rights of unlicensed body workers and natural health practitioners to be able to continue to provide their services, but in the end the Governor vetoed the entire licensing bill. Becky is a Master Herbalist, Certified Natural Health Professional, and has a Doctorate of Naturopathic Ministries. In 2006 she founded the Virginia Chapter of the Certified Natural Health Professionals, and she currently serves as the legislative coordinator for Virginians for Health Freedom. www.virginiansforhealthfreedom.org

# Rick Jaffe, Esquire

Health care litigator and author extraordinaire, with a primary focus on cutting-edge medical/legal issues. Clients include the noted immunologist H.H. Fudenberg, cancer specialists Stanislaw Burzynski, MD, and Emanuel Revici, MD, and other of the country's leading health care professionals. Author of Galileo's Lawyer: Courtroom Battles in Alternative Health, Complementary Medicine and Experimental Treatments, Jaffe sets forth a living history about the struggles between medical mavericks, their patients, and the government. www.richardjaffe.com

# Jim Jenks and Nevada Sunshine Health Freedom Foundation

Jim is the Nevada State Coordinator for Sunshine Health Freedom Foundation, and a Nevada Rancher, Naturopath, Herbalist, Iridologist, Homeopath, Hypnotherapist, Author of books and videos, and lecturer in almost every state and many countries. Jim Jenks represented NSHFF in successfully lobbying for a safe harbor amendment to be attached to a restrictive Dietitian licensing bill in 2011, in order to protect the right to practice of unlicensed nutrition consultants and natural health care practitioners. NSHFF has also introduced and lobbied for a safe harbor bill in the Nevada legislature for three years.

## Robert Scott Bell

Keynote speaker (see biography on previous page)

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