

AWH Announces Share Purchase by AGP, an Entity Owned by AWH Chief Executive Officer, Chairman, and Founder, Abner Kurtin and President and Co-Founder, Frank Perullo

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NEW YORK, July 5, 2022 /PRNewswire/ - Ascend Wellness Holdings, Inc ("AWH", "Ascend", or the "Company") (CSE: AAWH.U) (OTCQX: AAWH), a multi-state, vertically integrated cannabis operator, announced that on July 1st AGP Partners, LLC ("AGP"), purchased 50,000 of Class A Common Shares in the open market for \$2.05 per share followed by the purchase of 1,100 Class A Common shares for \$1.90 per share on July 4th. AGP is an entity through which Abner Kurtin and Frank Perullo invest in Ascend.



Earlier this year, Abner Kurtin also elected to take all of his 2022 compensation, with the exception of certain healthcare and other benefits, as common stock in AWH.

"We are extremely confident in the trajectory of AWH," said Abner Kurtin, Chief Executive Officer, Chairman, and Founder of Ascend. "We are using this market dislocation as an opportunity to make an additional purchase of stock. The lack of capital in the sector remains a hindrance, but we believe that this is a temporary burden that will ultimately translate into more justified valuations. In the meantime, we are focused on executing our exciting growth initiatives while delivering strong financial performance."

Abner Kurtin is CEO of Ascend Wellness Holdings, Inc.

About AWH:

AWH is a vertically integrated multistate cannabis operator with licenses and assets in Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. AWH owns and operates state-of-the-art cultivation facilities, growing award-winning strains and producing a curated selection of products for retail and wholesale customers. AWH produces and distributes its in-house Simply Herb, Ozone, and Ozone Reserve branded products. For more information, visit www.awholdings.com.

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