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Mayor, Councillors and Aldermen City of Prince George 1100 Patricia Blvd. Prince George, BC

Dear Sirs and Madams;

My correspondence is to protest having a marijuana store at the Prince George Airport.

People cannot drive or walk anywhere in this city without the reek of pot. There is a definite increase of usage in the last few years since the Prime Minister legalized it. Just because he grew up with it doesn't mean it was the right thing to do. A meeting was held downtown which was paid for by the Federal Liberal party. I attended, out of curiosity, learning firsthand who was behind it. My concern is what the usage of marijuana does to peoples lungs, brain and intelligence. Many use it for medicinal purposes also in skin rubs, still it penetrates through the blood stream.

The clientele of the airport properties will definitely change, parking will be congested, people will have to sit next to others on airplanes with the smell of marijuana on their clothes. Myself I cannot accept it, with Redacted in earlier years.

It strikes me that it is almost a privilege to have clean air anymore. Do children and families have to put up with this stink at the airport? This has not been thought out and is a definite detraction from the clean running airport we have. Imagine business men and women arriving at the airport to fly in or out going through that smell, or sick children being flown to Vancouver for treatment. Many redacted will be going there to buy it also, to mix with whatever they want to mix it with. Standing outside smoking pot will occur, probably not in designated areas either. It is an introductory drug and leads to more trouble

Why can't Prince George stand up for a clean society for a change. Why does it have to be the drug capitol of the north with the largest part of tax dollars going to policing, a result of the drug acceptance and thievery here. There is close proximity to highways around the airport for people to immediately drive around smoking pot. Suppose it turns into shipping it out by airplane in luggage, more thefts at the airport, with increased people traffic inside therefore more parking problems outside it.

Please consider the general population rather than persons who have not put thought and concern into this proposal of acquaintances I have, 90% say selling it at the airport is the wrong thing to do.

Sincerely,

Cheryle McLatchy