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Date: November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Attention:** Honorable Mayor Hall and Prince George City Council

**RE: Flower Bed on corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. and Dominion Street**

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Your Honor:

I once again would like to bring to your attention the ongoing problem we are experiencing with the flower bed the city installed on the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Dominion directly outside our store. Every year the flowers and the bed itself are destroyed as this bed is used for a urinal and most often unfortunate people who have passed out and sleep in the flower bed.

I am sure the city spends a lot to maintain the flower bed and the tree but the problems and cost of upkeep I am sure outweigh the attraction it gets. It is a steady meeting place for drug dealers, used as an injection site, and unfortunately is a gathering spot for prostitution to take place.

Presently our business is suffering greatly and our ability to recruit new volunteers has suffered as people do not want to smell the odor of marijuana that drifts into the store, and frankly customers and staff feel unsafe while being in the store. The foul and abusive language that some of these people use towards staff and customers has hurt us greatly.

We as a whole serve the needy and the public at large, plus supporting ministry work throughout Canada and Worldwide, so this is not a new situation for us, but one that greatly affects our ability to serve those who need us and want what we offer.

We would like to therefore ask once again for the flower bed outside to **please be removed ASAP**, before something further happens.

Yours very truly,

*Lynn McDonald & Board*

Lynn McDonald (Board Chair)  
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