

To Whom it May Concern,

I would have liked to speak to this matter in person but I will be busy teaching a class full of second graders and unfortunately cannot attend. I am writing to ask that you please rescind measure 110. I voted for this measure and had hoped that it would help drug users. Instead it has contributed to the lawlessness that is so pervasive among the many drug abusers in our city. It has welcomed more drug abusers and contributed to an ever increasing epidemic of drug abuse and homelessness. It is helping no one, absolutely no one. I am particularly disturbed by the response police officers get from offenders when they are ticketed for public use. Those ticketed neither seek help nor pay a fine. They simply tear the ticket up and live freely to do whatever, wherever, and whenever they please. That was not the intent of this measure. It has failed, horribly. Please act now and bring some sense consequence back for lawless actions. Our city is falling apart and it saddens me. I truly believe that this measure, which was intended for good, has only caused damage and harm. I regret having voted for it.

Thank you,

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