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Mayor Bill Peduto

414 Grant Street, 5th floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Mayor Peduto,

Hello, my name is Aujahne Jones, and I am 12 years old. I go to Urban Pathways Charter School 6-12 Charter School in Downtown Pittsburgh.

Today I am writing you this letter to voice my concerns about Pittsburgh's air pollution. My first concern is how Allegheny County is in the top 2% for risk of getting Cancer. I am worried about this because if Allegheny County ends up having 100% risk of getting cancer and it could spread around, it can put other people in Allegheny County in the way of also getting cancer. My second concern is The American Lung Association listing Pittsburgh as one of the worst cities for air pollution. I am worried about this because if Pittsburgh is listed as one of the worst cities for air pollution that means we have too much pollution, and that is not good for any one. We should find more and better ways to stop so much pollution. My third concern is that out of 432 days, Shenango Coke Works factory violated 330 days of emissions laws. I am worried about this because Shenango Coke Works factory violated the laws and created more pollution, which is not good for the air or people.

In conclusion, these are concerns that I voiced while reading our class article about pollution. I hope that you find this issue as serious as I do. If a change was to happen it could positively affect my community. Thank you for taking time to read this, and I hope you have a good day.

Aujahne Jones

7th Grade Student