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Mayor Bill Peduto

414 Grant Street, 5th floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Mayor Peduto,

My name is Daontae Owens. I'm 12 years old, and I like to play basketball. I want to write this letter because I want the air pollution to go down a lot. Pittsburgh is one of the major cities that has a lot of air pollution, and for gasses and random chemicals to be going around is not good in my opinion. Even the water is bad because all of the oils and grease from boats are in the water. The air pollution mixed in with Covid-19 is bad because the deaths of Covid-19 in Pittsburgh is at 20,218 deaths. Now with air pollution 500,000 more people died with that 20,218. There are too many cases and deaths, and most of it is coming from the air pollution. These are the sites I used in my research: National Geographic, Popular Pittsburgh, and Science Direct.

Please understand how much this means to me and how much I really care about air pollution and want to change it. I really want the world to be at a better place than what it is now, especially Pittsburgh and Allegheny County. This shows how much I care about the world and air pollution.

Sincerely,

Da'ontae Owens

7th Grade Student