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The Honorable GERALYN KEVER
McKinney City Council
222 North Tennessee St.
McKinney, Texas 75069

Dear Councilmember Kever:

Thank you for your sincere interest in the safety of the citizens of McKinney and its neighbors. I write to inform you of my intention to file legislation to implement a statewide ban on the synthetic cannabinoid commonly known as K2 during the upcoming 2011 Legislative Session.

The problems associated with the continued legal sale and use of this substance have been brought to my attention by local officials, police and constituents from across my district. In response, I believe the Legislature must take decisive action by banning the possession, sale and manufacture of these dangerous chemical compounds in Texas. I intend to work tirelessly to pass such legislation during the 82nd Legislative Session, beginning on January 11, 2011.

In the meantime, I recognize and support the need of local jurisdictions to pass ordinances in advance of the passage of state law to prevent the possession and sale of this harmful substance within their city limits. Thank you for standing with me in the fight against K2. Together we can protect our children from this dangerous drug.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Florence Shapiro".

Florence Shapiro

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