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City of Kalama  
Attn: Adam Smee, City Administrator  
320 N. First St.  
P.O. Box 1007  
Kalama, WA 98625

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**VIA REGULAR U.S. MAIL**

RE: Notice of illegal bakery operating in an R-1 residential area

Dear Mr. Smee,

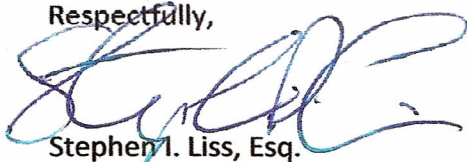
I represent Katherine Carmichel, of 331 Juniper Street, Kalama. I have been instructed to file a formal complaint on behalf of Ms. Carmichel as it relates to an illegal business being operated by her neighbor in her R-1 zoned neighborhood.

As you are already aware, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ahrens of 597 North Third Place have been running a bakery out of their home for several years. The bakery uses multiple vehicles to transport their goods. At some point a gravel driveway was illegally and crudely made between the two houses. Several vehicles run to-and-from the back of their lot and across Ms. Carmichel's to deliver their bread. The traffic damages her property leaving soot and gravel strewn against the side of her home and has already caused a retaining wall to significantly deteriorate.

While the City of Kalama does allow some home businesses to operate in R-1 zoned sections of the city, your code specifically prohibits **bakeries and food processors** in an R-1 zoned neighborhood. Section 17.60.020 of your code provides no exceptions for the Ahrens to operate this kind of business here – with or without a permit.

The business must cease operations immediately and the city must send notice to the Ahrens to commence this shutdown. Please keep my office informed of your actions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen I. Liss".

Stephen I. Liss, Esq.

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