CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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LETTER OF COMPLAINT RE ONE-WAY STREETS FOR GRAPE AND WINE FESTIVAL

Council received a letter from Elizabeth Coleman regarding "Makeshift" one-way streets and the signing thereof during the duration of the Lodi Grape and Wine Festival.

Mayor

Copy to Council
Chief of Police
City Mgr

Office of the Mayor
City of Lodi
Lodi, CA 95240

September 21, 1981

To the Honorable Mayor of Lodi,

I am writing in response to my experience of visiting the Lodi Wine Festival on Saturday, September 19th. I exited from a parking "lot" opposite the festival entrance to be stopped and ticketed (Citation No. 66478) for egressing on the "wrong way" down a make shift one way street, set up for purposes of the festival.

In my defense, I make note of two instances:

① Although there were signs posted at considerably above eye level across the street from my exit, the sign was NOT posted <u>opposite</u> the exit but some 20-30 feet beyond the parking exit in front of no exit as far as I could see.

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② Because I had walked down to the park earlier I had noticed cars parked in the opposite direction of the "one way" street in the way which would be normal for a two way street. The lead cars were so parked giving the impression of a two way street with cars parked on the opposite side facing in the normal direction. I discovered on a later walk that none of the "wrong way" cars had citations.

Furthermore, the makeshift one way street escaped the notice of many motorists who were being plucked off like ripe fruit. Sgt Perez informed me it was department policy to issue citations, not warnings. I believe this practice is very poor public relations and borders on gouging. For these reasons I take exception to the citation for myself and others.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Coleman
408 27th Street
Sacramento, CA 95816

Copy to
Mayor's office
Sacramento

[illegible] 8478

DATE [illegible] DAY OF WEEK

[illegible] SATURDAY

[illegible] COLEMAN

[illegible] 95816

[illegible] SACRAMENTO

DRIVER'S [illegible] | CLASS | BIRTH DATE

[illegible] | 3 | 10-10-91

[illegible] | OTHER DESC.

[illegible]

[illegible]

REGISTERED [illegible]

ADDRESS OF [illegible]

VIOLATION [illegible]

1657 VC-1 WAY STREET [illegible]

AGAINST TRAFFIC

EVIDENCE [illegible]

JUVENILE [illegible]

APPROX [illegible]

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LOCATION OF VIOLATION [illegible]

ON 300-400 [illegible]

WEATHER [illegible]

CLR FOG [illegible]

☐ OFFENSE(S) [illegible]

I CERTIFY UNDER [illegible]

EXECUTED ON THE DATE [illegible] CALIF.

ISSUING OFFICER [illegible]

NAME OF PERSON [illegible] EMPLOYEE NO.

FROM ABOVE [illegible]

WITHOUT ADMITTING [illegible]

AND PLACE CHECKED BELOW

X SIGNATURE Elizabeth [illegible] Colman

☒ BEFORE A JUDGE OR [illegible] ☐ [illegible] PROBATION

LODI MUNICIPAL COURT [illegible] LODI POLICE WEST

230 WEST [illegible] ST. LODI, CALIF.

☐ DATE [illegible] TIME [illegible] WITHIN [illegible] DAYS

☐ TRAFFIC JUVENILES [illegible] TO

APPEAR BY MAIL AND MUST [illegible]

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