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Subject: Ongoing Noise and Traffic Violations by Transport Trucks on Highway 2 through Claresholm

Mayor, Town Council and Member of Parliament. Town of Claresholm 221 – 45 Avenue West
Claresholm, Alberta T0L 0T0

Dear Mayor and Members of Town Council and Parliament,

I am writing to bring to your attention the ongoing and serious issue of noise and traffic violations committed by transport trucks traveling through Claresholm along Highway 2. These violations, particularly the excessive use of engine retarders (“Jake brakes”) and frequent speeding, have had a significant negative impact on my health and quality of life. As a resident of Claresholm living in close proximity to the highway, I am subjected daily to excessive noise from transport trucks braking and accelerating through town, often during the late-night and early-morning hours. This constant noise has caused repeated sleep disruption and has worsened my medical conditions, including Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Multiple Sclerosis (MS). The stress and loss of rest have greatly affected both my physical health and my mental well-being. I have been in contact with Transport Canada, who have confirmed that many of the observed behaviors—including the use of engine brakes within prohibited zones and excessive speeding through the community—constitute violations of existing noise and traffic laws. Despite this, these issues persist on a daily basis. I respectfully ask that the Town of Claresholm take immediate and concrete action to address this matter. Possible steps could include: Installing additional “No Engine Brake” and speed limit enforcement signage. Working with Alberta Transportation and local law enforcement to increase patrols and ticketing within town limits. Considering noise barriers or traffic calming measures to reduce the impact on residents near the highway. I believe Claresholm deserves to be a peaceful and healthy community, free from unnecessary noise pollution and reckless driving. I sincerely hope that Council will take this matter seriously and act to protect the health and well-being of its residents. Thank you for your time and consideration of this important issue. I would appreciate the opportunity to speak further on this matter at a Council meeting or to receive a written response regarding any steps the Town plans to take. Sincerely, Marcel Trinkaus P.O. Box 2966 Claresholm, Alberta T0L 0T0