

# Support a pesticide ban in British Columbia

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In late 2008, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities--an organization representing towns and cities across the province--voted overwhelmingly in favour of two motions (C46 and C47) that ask the province of British Columbia to create a ban on lawn and garden pesticides.

Dear Premier Campbell and Minister Penner,

As you know, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities recently voted overwhelmingly in support of a motion asking for a province-wide ban on the use and sale of lawn and garden pesticides. The "cosmetic" use of pesticides poses needless risks to public health and the environment.

Hundreds of pesticide products for sale in BC have been banned in Quebec because of health concerns. In Ontario, the new Cosmetic Pesticide Ban Act will come into effect on Earth Day 2009.

Many major Canadian retailers are also phasing-out the sale of these products. British Columbia needs to catch up!

I don't use chemical pesticides on my lawn or garden, and I believe that British Columbians are ready to switch to non-toxic gardening techniques to protect our health and the environment.

I urge your government to show leadership by introducing a province-wide ban. Please act quickly to eliminate this unnecessary source of toxic exposures.

Sincerely,

(your name and address automatically added here)

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