Subject: Bisphenol A Expert Panel Report
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Conversation: Bisphenol A Expert Panel Report

Dear Doctor Shelby:

I have been reading about the potential harmful effects of bisphenol A for several years and as a very concerned Public Health Nurse and citizen, I am appalled by the lack of action on the part of the federal government to at least evaluate the impact of this commonly used chemical to which we are all exposed.

Common sense seems to dictate that introducing this chemical into the human body poses severe risk for harm and I will never understand the conclusion of the Bisphenol A Expert Panel that there is no cause for concern. It would seem to me that the proliferation of research on this chemical is enough of a "red flag" to suggest the government should take a long, hard look at it.

I am grateful that the issue has moved to the forefront and is finally getting the attention that it deserves. A thorough evaluation by the federal government is long overdue and I hope it can occur with utmost immediacy.

I have grown up to believe that one of the roles of the federal government is to protect its citizens and establish policies to that effect. I am disappointed and dismayed that so little thought and oversight have been given to the scary outcomes of exposure to bisphenol A.

I am becoming increasingly concerned about environmental health and the impact on the whole population. Every single day we are subjected to so many health hazards, known and unknown. Why??? Is it really necessary and worth the risk of a healthy population? I believe the federal government and its citizens all need to become better educated and more concerned about environmental health and take necessary action to reduce risk. I am sure there are many more health hazards in the environment that should be evaluated and eliminated.

Please further evaluate the effects of exposure to bisphenol A as soon as possible and take some constructive action to remove it from our environment. In my opinion, research has clearly shown that it is an especially dangerous chemical.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion on this issue.

Sincerely,

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