TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I AM SENDING THIS LETTER TO YOU, THE BOARD OF PRISON COMMISSIONER'S TO INFORM YOU OF THE CURRENT ACTIONS OF THE MEDICAL DEPATMENT OF THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (N.D.O.C.).

MY NAME IS JOSEPH M. CARPINO, #25424 AND I WAS SENT HERE TO THE REGIONAL MEDICAL FACILITY AT THE NORTHERN NEVADA CORRECTIONAL CENTER (N.N.C.C.) ON 6/11/15 BY DR. DAVID HIRKIN AT LOVELOCK CORRECTIONAL CENTER FOR A CONSULTATION FOR A HIP REPLACEMENT SURGERY. I WAS SEEN BY DR. KAREN GEDNEY ON 6/22/15 AND SCHEDULED TO SEE DR. WALLS AN ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON, AND I DID SEE HIM ON 7/6/15, I WAS ALSO SEEN ON 7/8/15 BY DR. LONG, ANOTHER ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON, I WAS TOLD BY DR. LONG THAT HE WAS PUTTING ME IN FOR THE HIP REPLACEMENT SURGERY AND THAT THE SURGERY WOULD BE DONE AT THE CARSON TAHOE HOSPITAL OR AT RENOWN MEDICAL.

ON 8/13/15 I WAS CALLED FOR A DOCTORS APPOINTMENT AT THE R.M.F. TO SEE DR. GEDNEY, AT THIS TIME I WAS TOLD MY SURGERY WAS APPROVED AND THAT I WAS GOING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO HIGH DESERT STATE PRISON (H.D.S.P.) FOR THE SURGERY, AT THIS TIME I REFUSED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO (H.D.S.P.) FOR THE SURGERY BUT I AGREED TO HAVE THE SURGERY DONE AT C.T.H. OR RENOWN.

THE REASON FOR MY REFUSAL IS AS FOLLOWS;

#1. AT THE MEDICAL UNIT AT (H.D.S.P.) THE INMATS ARE

NOT PERMITTED TO HAVE ANY PROPERTY, AND ONLY GET A SHOWER EVERY 3 DAYS AND LOCKED IN THEIR ROOMS

#2. THERE IS NO STAFF DOCTOR AT (H.D.S.P.)

#3. THE 9+ HOUR RIDE FROM N.N.C.C. TO H.D.S.P. WOULD CAUSE ME A GREAT DEAL OF PAIN/SUFFERING THAT IS NOT NECESSARY WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE FACT THAT I WAS SENT TO N.N.C.C. WHICH IS THE NORTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL MEDICAL FACILITY TO HAVE MY SURGERY DONE.

THE REASON THAT I WAS GIVEN FOR THE ATTEMPTED TRANSFER WAS THAT C.J.H. WILL NOT EXCEPT INMATES BECAUSE THE STATE DON'T PAY THEIR BILLS AND THAT RENOWN WILL NOT EXCEPT INMATES THAT HAVE TO STAY MORE THEN 24 HOURS DUE TO THE STATES INSURANCE.

I AM A WARD OF THE STATE AND AS SUCH THE STATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND IT SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITHOUT ANY FURTHER UNNECESSARY INFLICTION OF PAIN OR SUFFERING (ESTELLE V. GAMBLE) AND TO BE TRANSFERRED TO H.D.S.P. FOR THE SURGERY WOULD CAUSE BOTH PAIN AND SUFFERING NOT TO MENTION THE RISK OF AN INFECTION OR OTHER COMPLICATIONS THAT COULD OCCUR DUE TO THE CONDITIONS AT THE H.D.S.P. MEDICAL UNIT. I AM AT THE NORTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL MEDICAL FACILITY AND SHOULD HAVE MY SURGERY DONE AT A LOCAL HOSPITAL WASN'T THAT THE REASON THE R.M.F. WAS BUILT SO THAT INMATE COULD BE TREATED LOCALY.

THIS IS THE TYPE OF SITUATION THAT THE PUBLIC AND THE STATE ALWAYS COMPLAINS OF, A SITUATION THAT CAUSES LAW SUITS THAT COST THE STATE MONEY AND EMBARRASSMENT WHEN IT COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED BY DOING THE RIGHT THING IN THE FIRST PLACE AND PAY THE MEDICAL BILLS OWD TO THE HOSPITALS AND PROVIDE THE PROPER MEDICAL CARE TO ALL INMATES WHATS GOING TO HAPPEN WHEN THE BILLS COME DUE IN THE SOUTHERN REGION HOW ARE THE INMATES GOING TO GET MEDICAL TREATMENT THEN?

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Joe has flat yard restrictions.
High Desert is not a flat yard