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Dept. of Building Inspections  
City of Portland Maine

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My name is Joseph R. Mitchell. I am writing this letter because there are some problems going on at my mother's apartment, that I would like investigated. My mom has called + left messages at your office, but I don't think she is getting the right department. Her name is Kimberly Mitchell, and she lives at 9 Cedar St # 3, in Portland - The owner is Harry Kringman. My mom contacted the manager Harry Kringman + John Jensen in regards to her new couch being loaded with Bed Bugs. The building manager John said "I'm not around," and hung up on her. It's been two weeks since, the landlord + property manager are ignoring phone calls, + doing NOTHING to try to resolve the issue. Now, my mom's Brand new Bed is that she got a few months ago, is loaded. Her unit isn't the only one, and many tenants have moved out, because of these Bugs. Not to mention the building is also infested with Roaches.

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My mom suffers from chronic mental illness, + it's hard for me to talk to her, + have visits with her, and seeing her crying, + talking about throwing out, antiques, + things she spent a lot of money on. It breaks my heart, + tears me apart. The people in control of this unit are mean, irresponsible, + are not responsive to serious issues within the buildings. My mom is clean, to clean, haha - And this building has had issues regarding "Bugs" long before my mother lived there. Keep in mind she has only lived there a year in two months. Several tenants have moved out, since then because of the infestations. My mother is in shambles, + says she will start throwing everything out - Please don't disregard this, because I am an inmate at the jail. I am a concerned son of a mother who has spoken up + isn't being heard. I would really like if you would step in and do something to make this "Lazy landlord" take care of his building. This is all really saddening to me. My mom pays \$935.00 in rent, + it isn't easy finding an apartment.

The last time this apartment building was "Sprayed" was 6-7 months ago. It's time to get some heaters in there & heat the whole building up. Obviously spraying didn't do the trick. My mom's contact info is as follows; Kimberly Mitchell 9 cedar st #3 portland, ME 04102, & her numbers are 805-1520 + 450 1912. Please stop by, get in touch with her, or something. It's all tearing me apart. Thanks for your help & time on this!

Respectfully,

Joe Mitchell

- CC: Attorney Michael Waxman
- CC: Attorney Daniel Litkey
- CC: City of Portland / code enforcement.

\* I would also like you to take in account that the landlord is having tenants move into the vacant apartments, without informing them of the infestations. Tenants are losing out on a substantial amount of money due to this landlord + him ignoring the fact that tenants could likely lose everything they've worked for because of this massive Bug problem.

Thanks Again

Joe Mitchell