

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Dawnna Hetherington, and I am the business owner and esthetician at Luscious Beauty Boutique & Day Spa located in downtown Willits. My colleagues and I are enduring our second shut down, while many other businesses remain open that are not considered “essential “. In our line of work, it is impossible to receive certification without passing the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology’s exam. This exam (and all of our training) is 90% sanitation and disinfection protocols. We learn how to execute our treatments and services in a way that is safe for our clients as to not cause any harm or cross contamination. We have been trained for an event like this.

I am wondering why our industry has been singled out, and why we have been forced to shut down, when we are not even on the states watch list to begin with.

I have been forced to shut my doors twice now. Unemployment has receded so that I am only receiving \$90 per week. Those of us who choose to work outside are at more risk of being exposed to Covid-19, as we are unable to control our environment as well as we could inside our establishments. Not to mention the summer heat, pests and dust that make for not a very relaxing experience for our clients.

In California right now, you can shop at Ross or Walmart(which has had many covid cases present in their staff), go to a casino, get a lap dance at a strip club, shop at a thrift store (I imagine much cross contamination), yet our doors are closed. There have been no known causes of Covid from a salon or day spa state wide.

Please reconsider the present restrictions and revise these orders.

We want to be seen. We want to be heard. We want to be open.

With genuine sincerity,

Dawnna Hetherington
Owner/Esthetician at Luscious Beauty Boutique & Day Spa