Hamlet of Resolute Bay

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Dear Ludy,

Alcohol Related Offenders

In the Baffin region, the people are getting more and more concerned about alcohol related offenders. We have seen repeated offenders and perhaps they are repeated offenders due to 2 main reasons. The punishment or the sentences given to the offenders are too lenient. If an offender is a repeater the punishment or sentence should get tougher depending on how many times the offender appears in court. "

The other reason why the offenders go back to correctional centres is because the centres are as good as some homes. The offenders are fed well and they are given easy jobs. They can watch T.V. and are better off there than some people who are living on their own.

Perhaps the Government should look into building a penitentiary in N.W.T. since the judges are reluctant to give sentences to offenders for more than two (2) years. There are some serious offenders who are given light sentences who should be sentenced to more than two (2) years.

I hope the Legislative Assembly will give this a serious consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

Susan Salca George Eckalook