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Today, we decided to take a stand against the use of styrofoam and polystyrene products by taking the pledge to be #foamfree and emailing our local representatives to request legislation to be passed!

Our email to our represetative:

Hello,

My name is Rachelle Lee, and I'm a sophomore from Jericho High School. Recently, my friend Sarah and I discovered how harmful styrofoam is.

Thus, Sarah and I are writing today to ask you to support a ban on Styrofoam and polystyrene products.

This is a human health issue. Styrene is a carcinogen that can migrate into food and drinks when it comes in contact with high-fat or acidic foods. And people put polystyrene and Styrofoam products to their lips every day.

And it is an environmental issue. The Environmental Protection Agency ranks Styrofoam manufacturing as the fifth worst global industry in terms of hazardous waste creation.

Polystyrene and Styrofoam are difficult to recycle and even banned from many recycling programs because of contamination problems.

As a result, polystyrene and Styrofoam end up in landfills and waterways; they are some of the most common forms of plastic pollution in the environment.

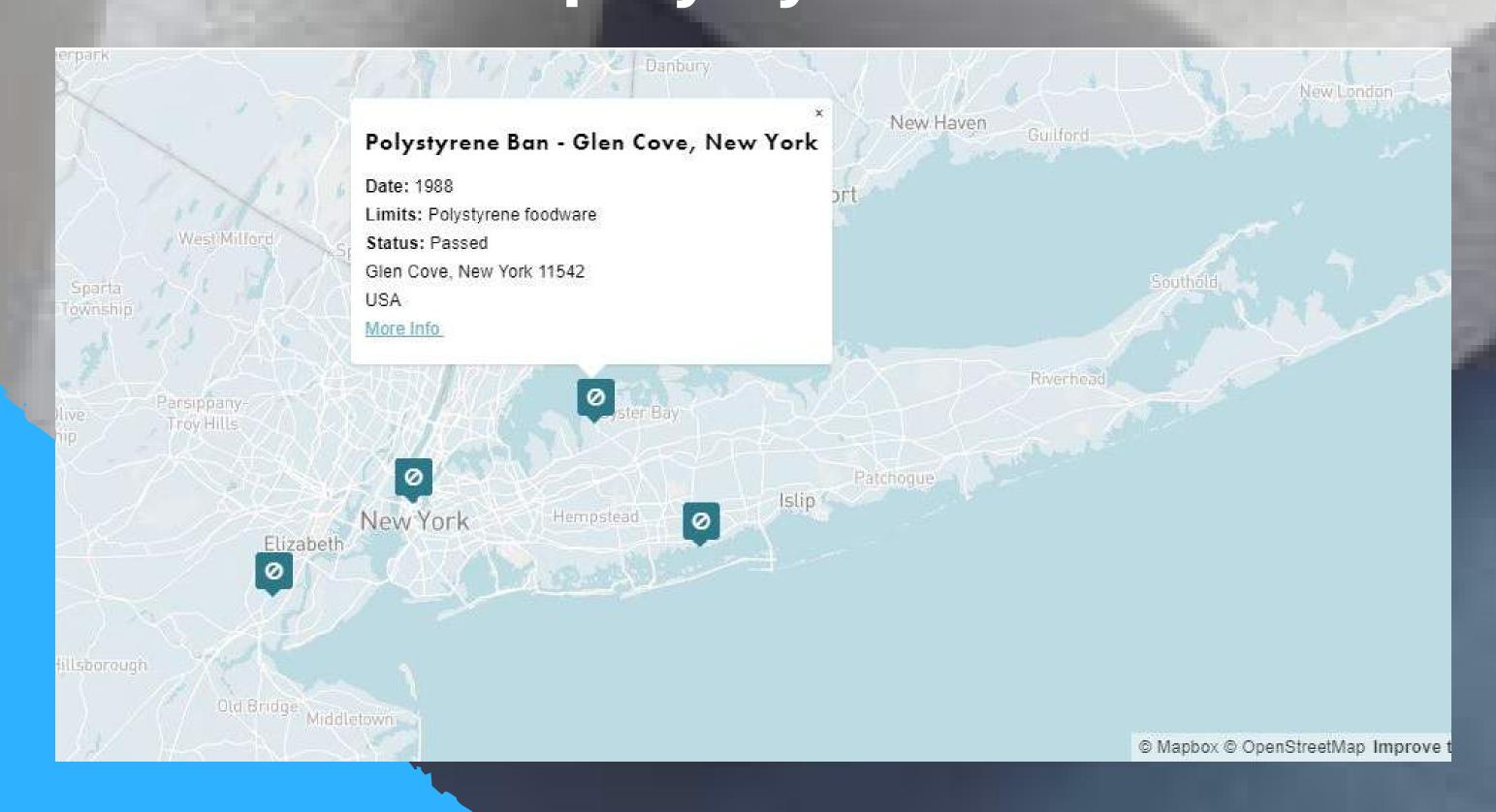
As part of the "New Plastics Economy" report of 2017, leaders of 15 global brands-including Dow Chemical, Coca-Cola, L'Oreal, Unilever, and Procter & Gamble-recommended the phase-out of polystyrene and Styrofoam products.

Please support a ban on polystyrene and Styrofoam today!

Sincerely, Sarah and Rachelle

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In our area, there is no ban that have been passed or is pending. We are shocked about this fact since polystyrene products are one of the most harmful wastes that exist. However, we were pleased to see Glen Cove, a town right next door to Jericho, where we live, has had a ban on polystyrene since 1988!



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IN OUR SCHOOL CAMPUS, WE SEE STYROFOAM BEING USED IN TWO WAYS. FIRST, STYROFOAM IS USED TO CARRY COFFEE THAT STUDENTS BY FROM VARIOUS COFFEE SHOPS IN OUR TOWN. THE SECOND WAY STYROFOAM IS USED IS S BY BEING USED TO HOLD THE ICED COFFEE OUR SCHOOL SELLS. THIS IS HORRIFYING TO US SINCE WE NOW KNOW AND REALIZE HOW HARMFUL IT IS! IT CAN EVEN CAUSE CANCER! THIS IS NOT SOMETHING I WANT ANYONE IN SCHOOL OR IN THE WORLD TO USE! IN ADDITION, EVERY DAY, DOZENS OF CUPS ARE USED AND THROWN OUT AFTER A SINGLE USE, CONTRIBUTING TO MORE WASTE ON OUR EARTH. WE WILL HELP TO REDUCE THIS PROBLEM BY INFORMING OUR FRIENDS TO STOP USING AND BUYING STYROFOAM AND BY ADVOCATING FOR LEGISLATION TO BE PASSED.

Polystyrene is one of the world's most harmful forms of waste on the planet.

Polystyrene is made up of styrene, a known carcinogen (aka it causes cancer)

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#INDAMINATION

AVOID POLYSTYRENE

Polystyrene is commonly known as STYROFOAM

Polystyrene takes hundreds of years to decompose





EMAIL YOUR REPRESENTATIVE!

Ban toxic plastic Styrofoam and polystyrene!

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This email will automatically populate to send to your representative. Please feel free to personalize the text. Thank you for going #foamfree!

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@turninggreenorg #banpolystyrene





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