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PRESS RELEASE

As Mayor of Montesano I am appalled at the action of a blogger, Tom Fredrickson that resides in the City of Montesano. I want to extend a public, personal apology to the Mayor of Aberdeen, Mayor Bill Simpson, as well as the citizens of Aberdeen.

Because this blogger has Montesano in the title of his blog, I did not want to take the chance of anyone thinking that the man has any association with the City, because he does not!

I am ashamed of his disparate remarks telling people not to shop in Aberdeen, but to head to Olympia. This is a shameful outrage as the county tries to recover from the past few years of high unemployment, lack of resources, and very few viable new businesses.

The City of Montesano encourages you to shop in Aberdeen, Hoquiam, and Montesano. All of the small cities, and even the larger cities in Grays Harbor have to pull together to recover and to continue to grow business.

I hope that you will accept my apology.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken Estes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.