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## LETTER: Vancouver not such a happy place anymore

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#### **Dear Editor:**

Vancouver, British Columbia is known to be one of the most scenic, expanding cities in the world, with skyrocketing prices and miserable people. Too many Vancouver citizens fail to meet many expenses — resulting in falling below the poverty line.

Many tourists travel across the world to experience the breathtaking view on top of the mountains, while slipping into the deep blue ocean moments later.

Numerous Vancouver residents have yet to experience this fantasy due to lack of snow and low water temperatures year round.

Construction is the only music Vancouver hears from the time you wake up to the time you go to bed; construction is inevitable in Vancouver.

Getting caught in Vancouver's rush hour sometimes is unavoidable, considering the city repairs the same roads repeatedly. It not only aggravates the tourists, but also the workers. The salary Vancouver offers for minimum wage jobs is below the poverty line, setting these employees up for failure.

Historical buildings are being torn down and replaced with glass condos stacked on top of each other.

The population of Vancouver has intensely expanded. Being enclosed by the U.S. border, mountains, and ocean, Vancouver is eventually going to have to stop expanding and focus instead on developing.

This overpopulated, expensive, wet city was once recognized as "the most beautiful city in the world," though (few) years go by and Vancouver's reputation is tossed.

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