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Naya has been sentenced to 30 months in prison!



After a long, hard, 10 hour trial, Naya was convicted for illegal drug possession and was sentenced to 30 months in prison. She has been moved to a medium security prison, where she is in a cell with a blanket, and a toilet. Food is brought by prison guards. The toilet is disgusting, but that's the only place to go to the bathroom. The toilet is right next to Naya's face, so she can smell it all the time. It will be emptied once a day.

Image above - Naya in her cell.

Naya is allowed 1 hour of visiting time from 3 - 4 P.M. in the afternoon. Today, all of her sisters came and talked with her for the whole hour about what they would do to make sure that she was comfortable. She would get a care package 4 days a week, and it would be filled with treats,

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and photos of how her kits were doing. Oh how Naya missed her kits. They were in catergarden now at 6 months old, starting to learn about how to fight and the world. They have sent Naya letters nearly every day, because they miss their mother so much.

Naya's prison - there is an image on the right, is just a red brick building that humans occasionally use as a power plant. It must be dangerous, because the humans guard every part of it. There are barbed wire fences, locked doors, and human guards along with the cat guard posted near the cells and exits.

The guards call Naya by a number now, because they needed a way to identify each prisoner individually. Naya's number is 9217. Judy, Rudy, Stripy, and Mavis all despise this system. They have said to the chief guard that "a prisoner is a cat, and every cat has a name. Can't you even give the prisoners that level of respect?"

Luckily, Naya's sisters aren't the only ones who do not approve of the system. "My

mate deserves the right to a proper name, even in prison," says Ice, one of Judy's kits and the mate of Rudyjudy, who has been convicted for petty theft and is serving a month in prison. Many other cats have expressed their

> behavior during her prison sentence, in the hope that she might get out early - even in 18 to 24 months. Naya is strong, and she

> opinions publicly, and in July 2020, the Issues for Cats magazine printed an article which expressed a strong opinion that cats in prison should be called by their rightful names.

Naya has decided to try to be on good can fight through this.



- Rice, one of Rudy's kits

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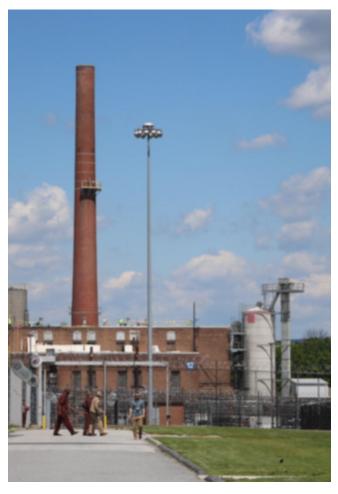


Image above - Naya's prison on the outside.