

**THE HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**  
of the  
**Southbury Training School**  
Southbury, Connecticut  
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April 26, 2013

Terrence W. Macy, Ph.D.  
Commissioner  
Department of Developmental Services  
460 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Commissioner Macy:

I am writing on behalf of The Home & School Association of Southbury Training School ("H&S"), which, as you know, is a nonprofit organization comprised of family members, guardians and friends of the residents of the Southbury Training School ("STS"). We are the only organization that represents family members and guardians of STS residents.

We understand from news accounts that Governor Dannel Malloy is creating a task force of state and local leaders that will plan for the future uses and maintenance of the land and buildings at STS. We also understand that the governor has asked you to appoint a family member or guardian of an STS client to serve on the new task force.

I am writing to request that your department work together with us to identify a suitable individual to represent the views and interests of family members and guardians of STS residents on the task force. We believe that decisions made by this task force are likely to have a profound and lasting impact on the lives and well-being of the current residents of STS and their families and guardians. Since H&S is the only organization that represents the family members and guardians of STS residents, we believe that the individual who is to represent our members and the residents of STS should be someone we deem appropriate.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,



Martha M. Dwyer  
President

cc: The Honorable Dannel P. Malloy, Governor  
The Honorable Arthur J. O'Neill, State Representative  
The Honorable Ed Edelson, First Selectman, Town of Southbury