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November 1, 2017

Gov. Tom Wolf Office of the Governor 508 Main Capitol Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf,

I'm writing to invite you to tour the Ebensburg State Center with me on **Friday, November 17**th at **11 a.m.** This center is home to over 200 residents with severe intellectual disabilities and employs 702 dedicated caregivers here in Cambria County.

As I'm sure you are aware from my previous letter, legislation has been introduced to close the Ebensburg State Center along with other similar state facilities. I believe this tour would provide you with valuable insights as to the special challenges faced by some of the commonwealth's most vulnerable residents and their families.

As state representative for the 72^{nd} Legislative District, I have toured the Ebensburg State Center before – and I can assure you that getting a firsthand look at the needs of its residents and the dedication of its staff is a fundamental step any elected official should take before supporting, sanctioning or ordering its closure.

If you are unable to attend the tour on Nov. 17th, I would like to request a meeting with you to discuss the future of the Ebensburg State Center. Although I'm open to meeting in Harrisburg, it would be most advantageous for us to meet at the Ebensburg Center where you will have the opportunity to see in person the special needs of its residents and the high quality of care provided to them.

I thank you in advance for your time and I look forward to discussing how we can stop the Ebensburg State Center from closing.

Respectfully,

Frank Burns

State Representative 72nd Legislative District