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RE: OPPOSED To Project 13-058; OPPOSED To Closing Murray Center

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I urge you to deny the DHS application for project 13-058.

Sincerely,

Tom Ashby
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Dan Ramey

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City Manager

Nate Rothschild
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Dear Mr. Constantino,

The fate of these special people concerns me immensely, as I have observed over many years. They are so special, and the loving care the staff has given to these people has made life a much more pleasant experience, and you could detect this by looking into their eyes and see a smile that is a compliment to the professional staff that makes life very livable in their special world.

I have experienced this type of reaction many times, having been a close friend to the Jacob family parents of two sisters, who have had their daughters at Murray for many years. No outside personnel can supply these conditions, since they are total strangers, and are not trained to lend a hand or serve these people in such a way that becomes so special to them.

I feel that we would short change the residents at Murray by making this more to remove and replace, without knowing how they would react to such a drastic change in their lives. They don't deserve this drastic action, and a feeling of despair overcomes me when I think about the consequences of the action our Governor has taken to close down Murray Center at this time.

The skilled staff could not be replicated in such a short time, these are jobs in our immediate area are people who have been trained to manage these exceptional challenges and have devoted a life time of servicing our special people at Murray Center. The loss of employment to these special personnel would create a very serious financial problem and would affect many families in a very direct way.

After serving many years at Murray all this caring and love would be lost to the only program our Governor is interested in destroying. This is a cruel blow to many dedicated employees that are needed in their special way. I oppose project #13-058 to close Murray Center.

Sincerely,

Nate Rothschild

William C Smith
149 Greenview Rd
Centralia IL 62801-6122

Date 10-9-13

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Sincerely,

William C Smith
618-267-3607
(signature & contact information)

(Letterhead)

Date 10/9/13

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Melanie R. Parsels 149 Greenview Rd.
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(signature & contact information)

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Sincerely,

Debbie A Smith
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(signature & contact information)

WAYNE & PHYLLIS DANIEL

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Economic Development Director