Dear Kathryn, I'm attempting to type this because my writing is not good. Southbury Training School has been a shining light in Connecticut for many years. It has provided more than a home for thousands of special people. Closing it would be a huge mistake. I realize the great financial burden it is for the state. And I don't know the whole picture, of the campus. However I do know about cottage 42 where my son is at is a beautiful home. It was recently updated. My idea would be if they consolidated people in an area in the cottage 42 area and close the buildings in the other part of the campus, then they could sell part of the campus. Whoever bought that would be a stipulation that they would pay for part of operating Southbury, therefore reducing the burden on the state. My son loves it there. The people there are very dedicated and know him. Whenever my daughter Diane and myself are there we see how loving all the personnel are there. So closing NO, but using vacant land for income purposes yes. In closing, the state should be proud of what they do there. Thank you for all that you do. I am including a copy by Daniel Miller, court appointed attorney, for Peter Dingley in regards to his status.

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