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DEPT. OF PUBLIC WELFARE  
P.O. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Governor Milton Shapp  
Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Gov. Shapp,

We understand that Secretary of Welfare, Helene Wohlgemuth, had your backing in recent firing of Dr. James H. McClelland as Superintendent of Polk State School and Hospital and surmise that it may not have been quite the "spur of the moment" decision it appears, on the surface, to be.

However, we do not wish to believe that you would have sanctioned this unjust action if all facts concerning the administration of Dr. McClelland had been carefully reviewed. We believe that the overall improvements in care, education and treatment experienced during the past 15 years cannot be matched by many institutions in Pennsylvania or other states. And we are certain that Dr. McClelland's personal concern, love and compassion for all of the residents at Polk is indisputable.

Hence we are writing to earnestly request a re-evaluation of this situation.

Sincerely,

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Wayne E Mook

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