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Mrs. Helene Stohlgemuth, Secretary of Welfare  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Harrisburg Pennsylvania.

Dear Secretary Stohlgemuth:

We have a parent-patient interest in Polk State School and Hospital. Our experience with this institution spans over thirty years. Polk has always been and still is, outstanding in matters pertaining to the humane treatment of patients.

We strongly object to the arbitrary, summary, manner in which Superintendent Doctor James Mc Clelland was dismissed. Doctor Mc Clelland should be given the courtesy of a hearing, the findings of which should be made public, and if the charges against him cannot be substantiated, he should be re-instated at once without prejudice. His accusers should be identified by name and their qualifications made known. Their testimony and its documentation should also be a matter of record.

We have the utmost confidence in this man and refuse to believe he could or would do anything improper or unkind.

Very Truly Yours,  
Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Carlisle