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## HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL OF VENANGO COUNTY

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TELEGRAM SENT GOVERNOR SHAPP April 18, 1973

We wish to advise you of a resolution passed unanimously by the Health and Welfare Council of Venango County on this date.

BE IT RESOLVED, the group here assembled strongly protest the recent dismissal of Dr. James McClelland as Superintendent of Polk State School and Hospital. Our protest is passed on the unorthodox method employed by the Secretary of Welfare in effecting this dismissal on unproven charges. We further protest the bypassing of local PARC officials by involving out of area persons. We urgently recommend Dr. McClelland's immediate reinstatement until the charges of cruel and inhumane treatment are either substantiated or dismissed.

Honorable Milton Shapp Commonwealth of Pennsylvania The Capitol Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110