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Governor Dannel P. Malloy
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Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Governor Malloy:

The Southbury Training School (STS) Task Force established by you in April 2013 has completed its initial assigned tasks to make recommendations on the scope and framework for a future study of the site.

Attached you will find a comprehensive campus study compiled by Milone & MacBroom at the direction of the Task Force. As outlined on page 40 of the report, it is the Task Force's recommendation that the planning process continue in order to provide a reasonable, community-supported vision for the future use of the campus while continuing to respect the needs of the individuals currently living at the training school.

Next steps include the following recommended actions:

- Funding and completion of an environmental assessment
- Funding and completion of a historic assessment survey
- Funding and ongoing mothballing of structures no longer in use
- The discussion and creation of an authority unique to the use and reuse of the Southbury Training School

We hope you will agree that the STS Task Force has made great strides in a short amount of time in gathering useful data for a thoughtful discussion around appropriate preservation and future use of this state asset.

Task Force members are willing to continue exploring second phase actions and next steps as outlined above should you wish us to do so. Please contact us with any questions or to discuss the report in more detail.

Sincerely,

Secretary Benjamin Barnes, Co-Chair
STS Task Force

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