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## Senate of Pennsylvania

March 22, 2010

Jeffrey A. Beard, Ph.D., Secretary  
Pennsylvania Department of Corrections  
2520 Lisburn Road  
PO Box 598  
Camp Hill, PA 17001-0598

Dear Secretary Beard:

As a follow up to our telephone conversation this morning, I am requesting a community meeting to discuss the department's plan to reduce tower staffing at SCI-Dallas. Your willingness to respond to widespread public concern and opposition is appreciated.

Residents are understandably troubled. The last time the towers were demanned, two inmates escaped from the facility, despite assurances from the department that a video surveillance and perimeter intrusion detection system would provide the necessary protections. My position is clear – cost cutting cannot compromise public safety.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I will contact your office this week to make the necessary arrangements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Baker".

Lisa Baker  
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The Honorable Phyllis Mundy  
The Honorable John Yudichak  
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