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**"The world is a dangerous place to live; not because of the people who are evil,
but because of the people who don't do anything about it." – Albert Einstein**

Dear Senator Somers,

Thank you very much for your concern for patient abuse at Whiting. We are grateful for your attention and action in calling for public hearings. Human rights violations at Whiting have gone on far too long.

Because we are confined due to disability we retain our right to vote in elections and participate in political activities. We are the citizens directly effected and would appreciate the ability to have our voices heard. We would like to testify to personal experiences, good and bad, while Whiting patients and have the opportunity to provide input to attain positive change.

"Compassion is the wish to see others free from suffering." – Dalai Lama

Mere words cannot express our enormous appreciation to you. We have lived through dark times but have hope for a brighter future.

Thank you ☺