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Hon. George E. Pataki
Governor
Executive Chamber
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

Re: Correction Facility Closings

Dear Governor Pataki:

As you know, the leaders of the legislature, after careful consideration of the needs of the system, have agreed to restore funding for six correction facilities. We appreciate that decision and are hopeful that you will keep these restorations in the budget that is sent to you.

We believe these facilities are badly needed because of their excellent programs and the asset they are to their local communities. In addition, the jobs and economic benefits are very important to each of the areas of the state where they are located.

We ask that you allow these restorations to stand and approve the Corrections budget that will be before you.

Sincerely,

Richard Harcrow
President