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September 8, 2016

Mrs. Natale Ward-Christian
Executive Director
Hampton-Newport News CSB
300 Medical Drive, 2nd Floor
Hampton, Virginia 23666

Dear Mrs. Ward-Christian:

I have reviewed your September 2, 2016 letter to the City Manager of Williamsburg, Marvin E. Collins, III. I am sensitive to the needs of individuals with mental disabilities and have represented literally thousands of Eastern State Hospital patients over the years. Having said that, I believe the "Rights" of these former patients must be balanced with the property rights of homeowners who have invested \$100,000; and Walsingham Academy. This proposed group home is not an appropriate site and is incompatible with the neighborhood. An alternative location needs to be found.

I will be researching to see if funding for these inappropriate located group homes can be constrained in this region. With kindest regards, I remain

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas K. Norment, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas K. Norment, Jr.

CC:

Marvin E. Collin, III City Manager for Williamsburg
The Honorable T. Montgomery Mason, Delegate, 93rd District