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December 18, 2008

Honorable Jon S. Corzine, Governor
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Re: Resolution 08-269

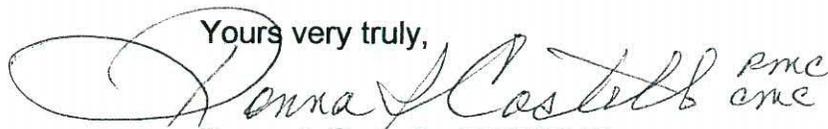


Dear Governor Corzine,

Enclosed is a certified copy of Resolution 08-269 adopted by the Municipal Council of the Township of Denville on December 16, 2008, entitled: RESOLUTION OPPOSING STATE PROPOSAL TO VIOLATE NEW JERSEY STATE STATUTES AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT TO PRESERVE SURPLUS GREYSTONE PARK LANDS BY OFFERING GREYSTONE STATE HSOPITAL LANDS FOR PRIVATE SALE.

Please consider the official position of the Mayor and Governing Body in your deliberations concerning this important matter.

Yours very truly,


Donna I. Costello, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

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cc: Hon. Richard J. Codey, NJ Senate President
Hon. Joseph J. Roberts, Jr., Speaker of the House
Hon. Gerald Cardinale, Senator, State House Commission Chairman
Hon. Anthony Bucco, Senator
Hon. Michael P. Carroll, Assemblyman
Hon. Richard A. Merkt, Assemblyman
New Jersey State League of Municipalities
County of Morris Board of Chosen Freeholders
Local Governing Bodies

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING STATE PROPOSAL TO VIOLATE NEW JERSEY
STATE STATUTES AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT TO PRESERVE SURPLUS
GREYSTONE PARK LANDS BY OFFERING GREYSTONE STATE HOSPITAL
LANDS FOR PRIVATE SALE**

WHEREAS, P.L. 1999, c. 188 requires that any surplus land transferred from Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital be designated for use as a state park, for County or Municipal Use, to a land conservancy, for open space, historic preservation or farmland preservation; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2001, c. 345 provides that any property of the Greystone Park Psychiatric property, not conveyed to the County of Morris, shall be used only for recreation, conservation, historic preservation, farmland preservation, or use for programs or administrative purposes by the New Jersey State Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, historic State Legislative Intent thus clearly obviates the sale of Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital property for any function other than clearly specified public use; and

WHEREAS, there appear to be efforts by the State House Commission to recommend the public auction of 130 acres of newly declared surplus property at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital for private use; and

WHEREAS, this action would clearly violate existing Statute law on this subject; and

WHEREAS, such private development is seriously inconsistent with the very substantial investment of time and resources made by Morris County in reliance upon the two statutory statements of Legislative Intent as to the future use of the Greystone Property; and

WHEREAS, this action would generate problems for local municipalities with respect to zoning and planning regulations as well as potentially increase the cost of municipal support services and costs for local infrastructure maintenance and upkeep; and

WHEREAS, any amendments to existing state law to allow for the private development of a portion of the Greystone property would be inconsistent with and create problems related to:

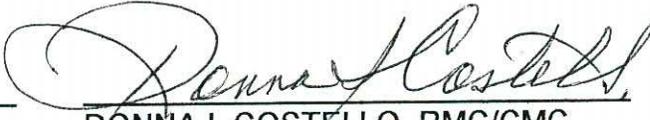
(a) the current and continued provision of psychiatric and social services at the Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, (b) the newly implemented recreational and private not for profit social service uses on the adjacent Morris County Property and (c) the existing legislative plan for the use of the property carefully crafted over the past decade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Denville, County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Municipal Council unequivocally opposes the proposed actions by the State House Commission.
2. That the Municipal Council strongly opposes on principal any effort to amend existing legislation on this subject.
3. That a copy of this Resolution be distributed to the Honorable Governor of the State of New Jersey, Jon Corzine, to the President of the Senate, to the Speaker of the House, to the Chairman of the State House Commission, to all our local representatives, to any appropriate interested third party and to all the governing bodies of the impacted municipalities urging them to adopt and circulate ordinances of opposition to this potential action similar to this Resolution.

BY ORDER OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENVILLE

I, DONNA I. COSTELLO, MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENVILLE DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING HELD ON 12-16-08.

12-18-08
CERTIFICATION DATED:  ^{RMC}
DONNA I. COSTELLO, RMC/CMC _{CMC}
MUNICIPAL CLERK