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PA TASH
26 Gunpowder Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Dear Dr. Conroy and Ms. Searle:

PA TASH is pleased to endorse the purpose and mission of the Pennhurst Memorial and Preservation Alliance to honor, commemorate, remember, and interpret the stories of the people with disabilities across the nation who have struggled for freedom and self-determination. It is fitting that these stories be told at Pennhurst, where that struggle found its most important victory. Pennhurst embodies warnings, in bricks and mortar, about our treatment of persons we all too easily in the past have classed as "the other." Equally important, Pennhurst testifies to the true power of the human spirit to endure, to overcome, and to grow.

As an organizational endorser of the project, we agree to the following:

1. Support the idea of a National Disability Museum and Memorial to be developed on the Pennhurst campus
2. Remain actively aware of the planning and development of the Pennhurst Memorial as it grows, and keep our Board of Directors and membership apprised.
3. Permit the use of PA TASH's name and logo to be used on the Alliance's web page and in promotional letters and announcements.
4. Help spread the word about the importance of the Pennhurst Memorial to other groups and help to

bring understanding of its Mission and Purpose.

We fully support your vision of a community of conscience at Pennhurst and look forward to furthering its creation. As a "place of inclusion, designed to elicit reflection and growth toward a better future," the PMPAs vision for Pennhurst offers a unique resource to the nation that time will prove indispensable.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathy Brill". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Kathy Brill, President
PA TASH