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TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN,

I AM A PRISONER HOUSED AT MACDOUGALL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. FOR A LONG TIME I HAVE BEEN WAITING TO SEE ALL THE ISSUES THAT OCCUR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION HERE IN CONNECTICUT. I KNOW THAT MR. DE VUGHN WARD WILL DO A GOOD JOB ADDRESSING THE ISSUES WE HAVE, I HAVE THAT CONFIDENCE IN HIM. BUT AS ENCOURAGED I WANT TO PUT MY INPUT IN HOPES THAT I WILL BE HEARD, WITH HOPES THAT THIS LETTER GOES OUT.

THERE IS SO MANY ISSUES THAT ARE SO WRONG HERE AT THIS INSTITUTION CONCERNING OUR SAFETY AND SECURITY, AMONGS OTHER THINGS. SSO I WILL JUST LIST THE ISSUES AS A WHOLE WITH ALSO A FEW THAT I AM EXPERIENCING MYSELF.

1) MEDICAL HERE IS ABSOLUTELY HORRIBLE. FOR 2 YEARS AND 8 MONTHS I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET KNEE SURGERY ON BOTH KNEES. I AM IN CONSTANT PAIN AND MY SO-CALLED PROVIDER ALONG WITH THE ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON FEEL THAT ITS BETTER TO HAVE ME LIVE IN PAIN RATHER TO GIVE ME THE OPERATION THAT IS NEEDED.

2) THE LIVING CONDITIONS ARE TERRIBLE. THE UNITS ARE FILTHY. IF YOU COME AND LOOK AT THE MENTALATION VENTS YOU WILL SEE HOW FILTHY THEY ARE. THE VENTS ARE COVERED WITH SO MUCH DUST THAT THEY ARE BLACK. I HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE NOVEMBER OF 2023 AND I YET TO SEE ANYONE COME AND CLEAN THEM.

3) THE OFFICERS HERE ALONG WITH THE ADMINISTRATION WHO GOVERNS THEM HAVE NO RESPECT FOR HOW THE INMATES ARE TREATED OR SPOKEN TO. THEY CREATE AN HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT. THERE ARE POLICIES PLACED FOR THE PROTECTION AND SAFETY OF ALL BUT NO POLICIES ARE EVER FOLLOWED.

4) THEY ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO CANCEL OUR VISITS AND REC. OUR WEEKENDS ARE ALWAYS TAKEN FROM US SPECIALLY ON THE WEEK WHEN THE OFFICERS GET PAID.

I SO WISH THAT I WAS ABLE TO BE THERE IN PERSON AND SPEAK ON ALL THAT IS WRONG HERE BUT I CAN NOT. HOPEFULLY THINGS WILL CHANGE FOR THE BETTER, AND IF THEY DON'T I GUESS THE SYSTEM WILL ONLY GET WORSE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME