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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
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Agency: DEPARTMENT AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DADS

First Name: Fred H.

Last Name: Bull

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

City: San Antonio

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or  
Opposed:

My name is Fred H. Bull. I am the guardian of the person and estate of Jerry W. Bull, a longtime resident of AuSSLC.

Jerry is profoundly retarded, with an IQ of 8, and a mental age of 14 to 18 months. He is completely non vocal and does not have any sense of his own safety. He has a history of P.I.C.A. behavior, ingesting cigarette butts, shoe strings, and other inedible objects, again, requiring a very specialized level of care. He is 76 years of age, is in fragile health, and receives medication daily to control epileptic seizures and aggression. His history of care indicates that any change in his routine is very detrimental to his health and well being. He requires frequent tests to keep his medications at the correct level in his blood.

I do not have any complaint with the care that Jerry is receiving and has received at AuSSLC nor at the Travis State School prior to moving to AuSSLC.

I have reviewed the list of care providers on the DADS list in Bexar, Comal, Hays and Travis counties and found that only the SSLC's (San Antonio and Austin) even claim to offer the level of care that Jerry requires.

I believe that the Commission needs to recognize that there are citizens of Texas that need care that is not available in the private sector. With such recognition, the continued need for the care provided in the SSLCs is apparent.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I have been involved in this area of finding care for profoundly retarded people for at least the last 50 years, and have not found any alternative to the SSLCs.

Accordingly, I oppose the closure of the AuSSLC.

While my comments may be made public, I prefer that Jerry W. Bull's identity remain private.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree