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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]

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To: Sunset Advisory Commission

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Agency: DEPARTMENT AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DADS

First Name: Janice

Last Name: McCarty

Title: Foster Care

Organization you are affiliated with: Daybreak Abilene TX

City: Abilene

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am opposed to the closing of Abilene Supported Living. I worked there for several years as a Rehab. Teacher for the Com. for the Blind and also later as a Social Worker. There are many individuals who need the type placement supported living centers give. We need to improve the quality of these centers not close doors. Many individuals have medical needs and behavioral needs too severe to be met in community settings - my son is one of these. Closing these facilities will throw people into inappropriate placement. This population is the most vulnerable among us. The state of Texas must not close the door on them. We must work to improve these centers which families and disabled Texans rely on.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: My recommendation is to improve State Supported Living Centers not close the doors.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree