

TOWN OF MONTVILLE

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Testimony of Mayor Joseph W. Jaskiewicz, Town of Montville
Concerning Raised Bill No. 6632 to the Committee on Judiciary

Greetings Co-Chairmen Coleman and Fox, Committee Members:

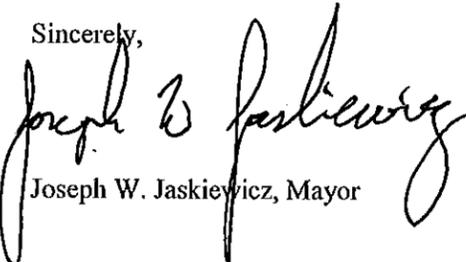
Thank you for this opportunity to testify on behalf of the Town of Montville and its citizens concerning Raised Bill No. 6632 "An Act Concerning the Siting of Residential Sexual Offender Treatment Facilities".

The Department of Corrections has determined that the Town of Montville is a suitable location for a first-of-its-kind, experimental program for sexual offenders to be conducted outside the confines of prison. While we appreciate the Department's desire to try a new program for this population, we were floored to learn that this will be placed in Montville and that this experimental program is to be placed in such close proximity to vulnerable populations, such as day cares, public schools, elderly housing, our youth services center, and our senior center. This location is also in a densely populated area and is in the middle of the Town's economic corridor. My staff has prepared the attached map detailing the proximity of the proposed facility to the areas of concern.

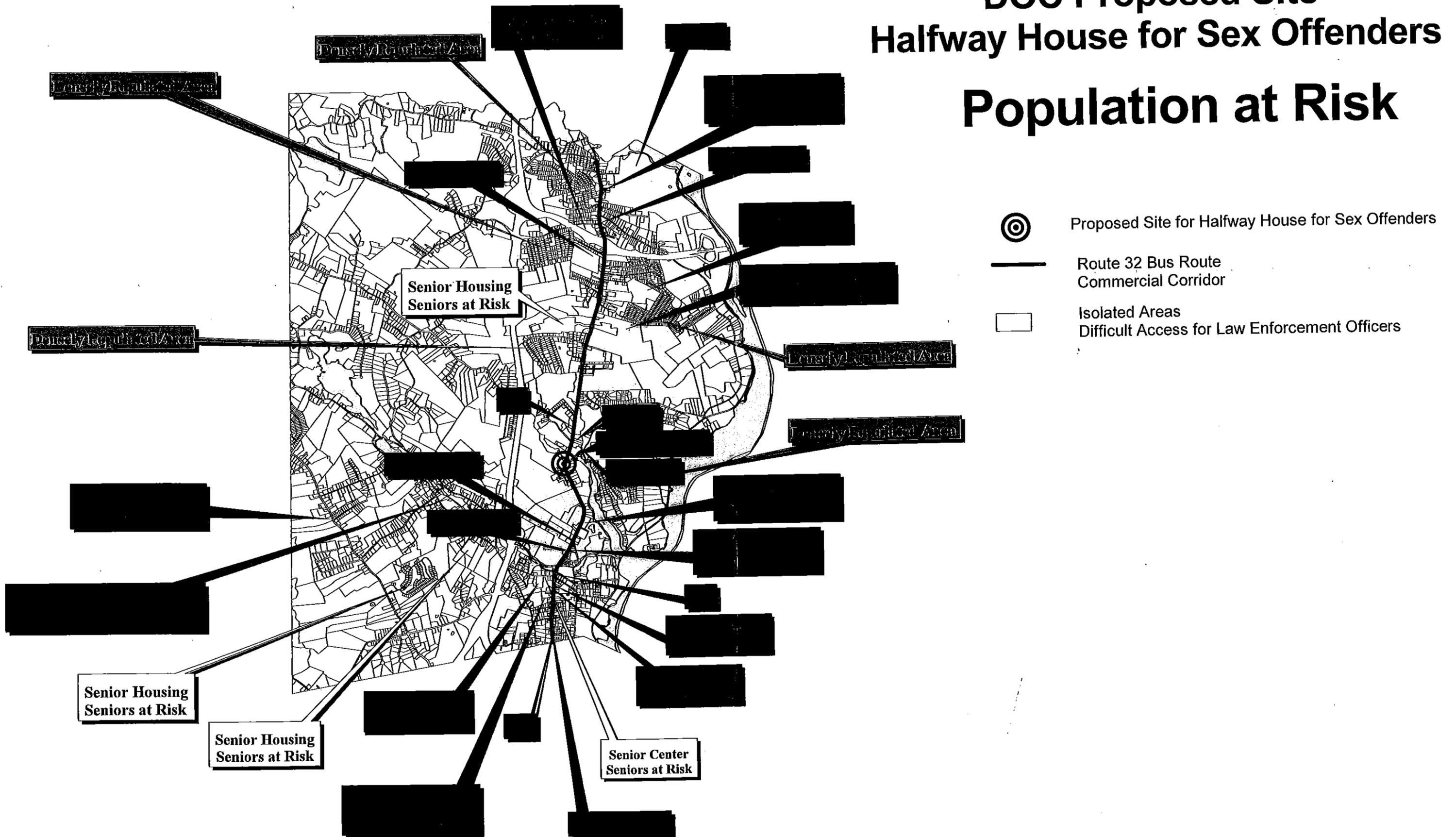
The Town would like to see a fair and equitable assessment of sites considered for placement where proximity to the areas cited in this bill is a priority. This bill is a step in the right direction and I ask the Committee for its favorable consideration.

Last, the only question I have is whether or not the Department of Corrections must submit their report to the General Assembly before finalizing its selection and moving forward with service and construction contracts.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Joseph W. Jaskiewicz, Mayor

DOC Proposed Site Halfway House for Sex Offenders Population at Risk



- ⊙ Proposed Site for Halfway House for Sex Offenders
- Route 32 Bus Route
Commercial Corridor
- Isolated Areas
Difficult Access for Law Enforcement Officers