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To Whom It May Concern:

I write to strongly urge you to please reconsider Governor Malloy's proposal associated with a major budget cut to Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC). CMHC provides care for individuals that many other institutions would not care for: The chronically mentally ill. It has a rich history of advocating for the underserved and provides first class mental health services to people in New Haven and surrounding areas. Without CMHC, the number of preventative services that keep many individuals as contributing members of society will astronomically decrease, arguably leading to increased homelessness, crime, and overall social oppression. Please help keep CMHC alive and in turn the New Haven community alive and strong and do not support Governor Malloy's CMHC budget cut proposal.

Sincerely,

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