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Dear Neighbors,

As many of you have now heard, a company by the name of Gateway Homes has taken out a lease on a single family home at 101 Woodmere Drive. This company plans to use the home to house up to eight mentally challenged individuals, and up to three supervisors, who have either been civilly committed or have been found innocent of a crime by reason of insanity. Although this lease was signed between the company and the Middleburg Trust Company, acting as trustee for the owner, in early May, we only found out about it some ten days ago. The City of Williamsburg also was unaware until a few days before we found out.

We have written to both the Middleburg Trust Company and our current State Delegate, T. Montgomery Mason. The letters to these parties are attached. We have met with the City Manager of Williamsburg and have an ongoing dialogue with him. We also attach a letter from the City of Williamsburg to the state agency in charge of these affairs. Please feel free to share these with your residents should you so decide.

We have discussed legal action by the City as Gateway already is preparing the home for use as seen by the moving trucks at the location, but at the current moment they feel it is inappropriate. We feel it is important to do all possible to stop them from moving in, at least while many important issues remain unresolved. Once they are in and functioning any remedy becomes more difficult.

We hope this gives you a somewhat better idea of the situation we find ourselves in as a community neighborhood. We shall keep you up to date as best we can. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact the undersigned or any member of the Woods Association Board.

Cordially,

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