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Dear Mr. Nauman:

I am writing to you today on behalf of my constituents who have expressed a strong interest in saving the Dansbury Depot from demolition. I appreciate the opportunity to express my strong support for their efforts to save this historic train station.

I was a member of the House of Representatives when Tamaqua considered demolishing the 1874 Philadelphia and Reading Railroad station in the heart of its downtown. While it took many years, many private sector donations and many state and federal grant and loan programs, this historic train station is now the pride of this community. The Tamaqua Railroad Station now serves as a heritage center, as well as a cultural and economic hub in Historic Tamaqua.

The Dansbury Depot site is located adjacent to East Stroudsburg's main street and the building itself is part of the National Historic Register. While I understand your desire to move ahead due to the building's current issues, just consider the fact that included in this site is a history that cannot be replicated by new construction.

I hope you take many of the issues, comments, and concerns that you have been presented with this week into consideration as you make plans to move the project ahead. Please afford the community the opportunity to review its options and possible plans before any final decisions are made.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID G. ARGALL
State Senator
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