

"AN OPEN LETTER TO GOVERNOR DEVAL PATRICK"

by Timothy J. Muise

* * * * *

June 1, 2013

Dear Readers and Supporters:

What follows is an open letter to Governor Deval Patrick. I am asking that people print out hard copies of this letter and mail them to the Governor at the state house, to "scan" copies into their email and email them to the Governor at his email address or state house email address, as well as to send their own communications to the Governor directly asking him to come in MCI Shirley and meet with prisoners.

My need to do this stems from the fact that the state house now has a "mail interception" policy which redirects any mail to the Governor or his cabinet back to the DOC to answer. When I send letters to the Governor they are answered by the superintendent here who I made the complaint about. If you can forward my letters someone on the Governors staff may actually see them.

More importantly we need to say what "needs to be said" even if he (Deval) does not hear it. Silence will end up with more death. The time has come to shout the deadly failures from the mountaintops. Please help me.

His Excellency Deval Patrick
Governor of the Commonwealth
State House
Room 360
Boston, MA
02133
(617) 725-4005 or (413) 784-1200
www.mass.gov

www.malegislature.gov

LETTER TO FOLLOW

Timothy J. Muise
MCI Shirley
P.O. Box 1218
Shirley, MA
01464-1218

June 1, 2013

His Excellency Deval Patrick
Governor of the Commonwealth
State House
Room 360
Boston, MA
02133

PRIVILEGED MAIL

Re: AN OPEN LETTER TO GOVERNOR DEVAL PATRICK / PRISON FAILURE

Dear Governor Patrick:

Your prison system is a complete and utter failure and it is incomprehensible to someone who witnesses low-level drug offenders being turned into future murderers each day, by YOUR prison system, how during two (2) terms in the highest office in the state you have placed an ostrich head in the sand all in an effort to ensure political viability. May God save the soul of our fallen leader!

To continue to spend over \$500,000,000.00 on a system that reaps 47% recidivism is a treasonous act. The Bay State has risen to the number one (1) state in the nation as far as staff to prisoner ratio. You fund the "jobs program" that is the department of correction with 68% of the budget being allocated for staff salaries (\$352,000,000.00 at last check). Your staff is paid at such a high rate with their true badge of dishonor being that 1 in 2 prisoners return to prison within three (3) years of release. You have allowed the guard's union (MCOUFU) to bluff you into having four (4) employees assigned to do the tasks of only (1) employee. This grand larceny depletes the ability to afford programming, education, and viable job training, while disregarding the rehabilitative mandate of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 124, § 1(e). This is another treasonous act!

The blood in the Mattapan corridor each summer is on your hands. These mere children are led to the slaughter by the men who your prison system failed and unleashed on the streets. You and your prison system are as responsible as if you pulled the trigger yourself! How many more innocent deaths, how many more summers of murder, will it take for you to put all politics aside and truly do something to protect those folks who believed in your compassion and placed you in that high office?

You must come into the prisons and meet with the prisoners. You cannot continue to meet with prison administrators about prison problems. You are seeking answers from the fox about the killing in the chicken coop. If you sit down with the right men behind these prison walls, and truly

listen to them, they will be able to describe for you the true failures of this system: Guards sleep in back rooms while the union claims understaffing. Young men seek education behind the wall and are afforded anger, resentment and hopelessness. Their ire is spread with a bullet!

Please allow me, as a representative of the prison population here, to assist you in arranging a meeting with the right men here at MCI Shirley, the center jewel in your prison system's crown of failure. We will shed light on the problems, but most importantly we have workable solutions that can be immediately implemented. We offer to assist out of our duty to serve, and at no small risk, but the field of freedom must be fertilized with the blood of true patriots every so often.

Place all politics aside and seek to save the lives of the youth and innocents in your cities. Allow me to work with you to bring real and effective change to your system. Show the citizenry of the commonwealth that you have not betrayed their trust. The time is now to fire the shot heard round the world in prison reform. Dry the young blood on the streets with courage and patriotism. The dawn is ahead if you dare. God save the Commonwealth!

Urgently Yours,



Timothy J. Muise, #W66927
MCI Shirley
P.O. Box 1218
Shirley, MA
01464-1218

"Who shall stand guard to the guards themselves?"

Chazal