



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

June 11, 2018

Board of Selectman
Town of Pittsfield
85 Maine Street
Pittsfield, NH 03263

Dear Board of Selectman,

It is my understanding that Teen Challenge has a piece of property in Pittsfield under a purchase and sales agreement with the property owners, pending your approval. I write in support of their efforts.

It is my belief that the Town of Pittsfield would be well served with Teen Challenge as a part of the community, and it would serve as a light on the hill to bridge gaps in the efforts within the community on multiple projects. This organization continues to embrace the needs for growth and development, while building a solid framework for young and old to live by ethics and solid leadership skills. Teen Challenge has a record of success, and to expand with this property would serve our state and the recovery community well.

As you may know, Teen Challenge provides adults, teens and families with an effective and comprehensive Christian faith-based solution, clinical counseling, and life-coaching for drugs, alcohol, and other life-controlling problems. I have become familiar with the organization by visiting their New Hampshire campus located in Manchester and listening to those who have turned their lives around by participating in the program. The long term residential recovery program provided by Teen Challenge not only addresses the issue of addiction, but also focuses on participants obtaining their GEDs, job skills training, and family involvement. This holistic approach has been successful in teaching hundreds of young adults suffering from addiction the skills necessary to become productive members of society.

The services that Teen Challenge provides are in great demand and are desperately needed across the State. However, due to the limitations of their current facility, that demand cannot be met. The property that Teen Challenge is seeking to purchase in your town would allow them to have more of an impact in their quest to help those suffering from addiction

Thank you for your consideration on this project, and for allowing me to share my support of the important work being done by Teen Challenge to help improve our communities here in New Hampshire. I fully support the work of this project and would urge you to strongly consider the benefits of the leadership that it would provide the Town of Pittsfield.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher T. Sununu". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and a long, sweeping underline.

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor