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The Honorable Tom Corbett, Governor  
Room 238, Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor:

Last evening, Harrisburg City Council voted against the Act 47 plan as proposed by DCED coordinators. As you know, the law calls for the mayor to produce an alternative plan for council to vote on within the next 14 days. If council approves the plan, the secretary of DCED must review the plan to ensure that it solves the city's financial crisis.

I respectfully urge you to direct the secretary of DCED to reject any alternative plan that includes a commuter tax or any other new tax proposal. I also request that you withhold all state funding to the city of Harrisburg should council fail to adopt an alternative plan that is substantively similar to the originally proposed coordinator plan.

I look forward to continuing to work with your office on the passage of my legislation, Senate Bill 1151, which would establish a management board to oversee the implementation of the Act 47 plan for the city. In light of these recent events, it has become clear to me that my bill may be the only rational recourse the Commonwealth has to rectify this situation.

Sincerely,



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cc: The Honorable Alan Walker, Secretary of DCED