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Swati,

I am going to put the DSS Settlement hearing on the notes today to make the gov aware. There is no press conference called per the other side, but Epworth is testifying and asking for an exception to the settlement. The settlement says personal homes are better than group homes, and Epworth takes exception. Also, there could be parents there who testify against the settlement or just in general have negative things to say. The opposing side is not calling anyone, but all in the class action have notice and have the right to show up. On our side, Susan will testify.

This is the same day as the Richland County delegation meeting with the side asking for removal. Butch will represent our interests. Holly will be there with DSS. Becca and David both have other things on their calendar. Are you okay with Butch by himself? Holly suggested having a press person go in case? I hated to not put a "client" beside Butch.

Thoughts?

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