



To the Members of the Seneca Falls Town Board

Attn: Supervisor Michael Ferrara & Town Board Members

Thank you for working to keep our community safe during the unprecedeted hardships that the Coronavirus has placed on our town. We at BonaDent and Danaren Dental Laboratories appreciate the board making the difficult budget decisions that come with leadership responsibilities. Nobody likes to see friends, family and co-workers furloughed or eliminated but tough decisions were necessary and then acted upon. In that light, given SMI's inability or unwillingness to properly monitor landfill odor issues, subsequent complaints or follow hours of operation guidelines I wanted to be sure to voice BonaDent and Danaren's support of your board *denying* SMI's operating permit. Agreeing to renew their permit at this time would be shunning your responsibility as leaders to see that our host agreement is followed by *both* parties. The landfill has continued to operate, to receive trash, to be paid to receive that trash, yet they constantly threaten our community with litigation and withholding payments due. "*Bullies*" make threats of that kind, not "*neighbors*". Please do not renew their operating permit until the landfill follows all of the host agreement guidelines, not just the guidelines that are convenient for them.

BonaDent and Danaren Dental Laboratories are ready to continue to expand our Seneca Falls laboratory with a 15,000 square foot addition to our current facility. It is a solid business plan to help our company to compete against offshore dental laboratories in China and a plan that will create *50 additional jobs* for our community. We currently have a tremendous team of over 200 employees that has played and will continue to play an important role in our community's success. To afford those employees career longevity and financial growth, our business has to grow. As the landfill grows it becomes increasingly more difficult to recruit talented professionals to live in our area. Despite the world-class facility we've built in Seneca Falls, we struggle with professionals in our industry choosing to work in our satellite locations over our Seneca Falls location.

Our companies want to move forward with the expansion project and the timing could not be better, but we need the assurance from the Seneca Falls Town Board that Local Law 3 will remain in effect and the SMI Landfill will be held accountable for upholding their end of the Host Agreement in their remaining years. Do not allow the continued threats of lawsuits by a billion dollar company based in Texas to deter you from your responsibility to your neighbors, the residents of Seneca Falls. Vote no on renewal until they comply and let's begin to financially plan for 2025, the date that SMI themselves negotiated some 10 years ago.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bonafiglia".

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