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DOCCS Announces New Superintendent at Fishkill Correctional Facility

Management Change and Review of Safety Concerns to Ensure Oversight and Facility Integrity at Fishkill

ALBANY – The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) today named Robert Cunningham the new Superintendent of Fishkill Correctional Facility. Mr. Cunningham most recently served as Superintendent at Woodbourne Correctional Facility since July 2010, where he oversaw the facility’s implementation of DOCCS’ interim stipulation settlement with the New York Civil Liberties Union concerning the appropriate treatment of incarcerated youth. Mr. Cunningham also worked at Green Haven and Otisville Correctional Facilities and has more than 35 years of experience working for the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision.

The Department has charged Superintendent Cunningham in his new role, with ensuring that Fishkill Correctional Facility operates in a safe and effective manner while providing for appropriate programs for all inmates. In particular, Superintendent Cunningham will review all safety concerns, including in Buildings 21 and 21a. This review will include discussions with the New York State Correctional Officer and Police Benevolent Association and the Inmate Liaison Committee, which routinely meets with members of the facility’s Executive Team to present inmates’ concerns.

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