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County Commissioner,

Good afternoon! My name is Denise Waffird and I am a Kindergarten Teacher at Arthur Middleton Elementary School. This is my first year teaching in Charles County. What a memorable first year at CCPS this will be! I have been able to meet many dedicated families in our community. Parents want exceptional teachers and quality education for their children. I believe we are top notch in the state!

The Board of County Commissioners has historically provided solid funding for the students and employees of the Charles County Public School system, and I'm appreciative that my commitment to a quality education for every child is echoed by our elected officials. I sincerely thank you! As an educator, having the resources I need to effectively do my job ensures that every student in our community can be a success.

To continue that vision together, I ask that you fully fund the Superintendent's budget request for the upcoming fiscal year. Now, more than ever, we've seen the impact that public education has on our community, and we need to make sure that every resource is at our disposal to maximize the education and services we provide to the students and residents of Charles County. Even with the dedication that I have seen from the parents in my school, they need more support than ever before. Parents want to do the best they can with what they know. But they have still reached out for wisdom, direction and guidance from teachers. They recognize that teachers have a significant impact on developing their child's view of the world around them and how to navigate it. Providing for both human and program resources now are essential so each child in our county can become strong contributing members of our society tomorrow.

I know that the current times are challenging for many, but I also know that the longer-term vision of what Charles County is, and can be, is important in moving through – and beyond – the current crisis. We start to fulfill a positive vision, together, when we put resources where they are most needed. Fully fund CCPS to show that you, too, are for our students.

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Very respectfully,

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