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County Commissioner,

I have been a teacher in the county for 29 years and am dedicated to teaching the children of this great community. Although I wasn't born in Charles County, I consider this my home. Every year I spend hundreds of dollars out of pocket to supplement the necessary materials needed to teach my kids. This is Teacher Appreciation Week and I would appreciate being recognized for the hard work that we all do so please fund our raise so that I can afford to supplement the supplies in my classroom. 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. 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.

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. #EACC4OurStudents

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