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County Commissioner,

Hello! I have been a teacher in Charles County, at Thomas Stone High School for the past 31 years. I have no intention of retiring in the foreseeable future. I am certified to teach FOUR different languages, have a Master's Degree (in curriculum and instruction, plus administrative courses) and a Post Baccalaureate (in Latin), PLUS another 30 credits. I have not seen a step increase in...I forget how many years. I did not get the COLA many of my colleagues received this January. I was offered a position elsewhere, where the system has a FORTY step scale. Given the current situation, I opted to stay with the county and the school and the community to which I feel a great deal of loyalty. In a time when it is so difficult to find quality teachers who want to STAY, it would be wise on your part to fully fund the CCPS budget, please. Show us that you support this community's students AND teachers.

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.

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