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County Commissioner,

Hi. I'm Nick Behning, and I teach in Charles County. One of the reasons I can say that I teach and live in the area is the fact that I can afford to work only as a teacher and afford a house with my wife. I come from NC, where pay is bad, and I know many teachers who struggle, and many who leave. Most schools hemorrhage teachers yearly, to the point that many are understaffed on top of being under funded. The increase of money in school sup here keeps that from being our fate, one that I escaped.

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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