Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Brent Hudson Chairman, Roanoke County School Board 5937 Cove Road Roanoke, VA 24019

Dear Chairman Hudson:

We have been reading with interest the media reports surrounding recent school board deliberations on important issues facing both students and parents in the Roanoke Valley, and it has come to our attention that there has been an offer of assistance to you from the Department of Justice's Community Relations Service (CRS).

We are writing to urge the Roanoke County School Board to continue to reject the offer from CRS and address school board matters without outside intervention. The parents, elected school board members, and Roanoke County taxpayers are much better suited to make important decisions about Roanoke County school matters than unelected bureaucrats from Washington, D.C. Thank you for your attention to this request, and please do not hesitate to reach out if we can ever assist you or the Board.

Sincerely,

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