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[CE SBAC] Vote E

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Hi SBAC -

My name is Regan StPierre and I live in Cape Elizabeth.

Thank you so much for the tireless work you've put into the school project. As you meet this week to decide on which proposal to push forward, I strongly encourage you to pick Concept E. There is no other other choice!

- Concept E is the most financially responsible choice we will pay less as taxpayers in the long term. For Cape residents on fixed budget, this is imperative.
 Concepts B and C are financially irresponsible- we will be paying principal beyond the useful life of the repairs. It is like taking out a 20 year car loan on a used car- there is a reason no one does it.
- The cost difference between C and E is minimal, but E represents the greatest value for teachers and students. Concept E creates a safe, long-term solution for the issues that have plagued our middle school for more than 30 years. It is the most equitable choice for all students.
- The survey data clearly shows that there is wide-ranging support for Concept E and movement from those who voted 'no' at the last referendum to vote 'yes' in November. I know this because I myself am one of those voters! We are no longer dealing with pandemic related disruptions to the construction industry. We have the right team in place this time. As the impacts of the storms this spring demonstrated, now is the time to responsibly invest in the long term sustainability and resiliency of our capital assets.

In short, Concept E can and will pass a public vote. In my opinion, Concepts B and C are bad investments and I will not vote for them if they are on the ballot.

Thank you for your time.

Regan StPierre

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