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[CE SBAC] Option E

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Hello SBAC,

My name is Abby Wark and I live in Cape Elizabeth on Mitchell Road.

Thank you for the tireless work you've put into the school project. Your service provides an important resource for our community and I am grateful to you for your dedication.

As you meet this week to decide on which proposal to push forward, I strongly encourage you to pick Option E. I supported a full rebuild of the schools earlier in this process, but we must compromise and our best option now is Option E. Some of the neighbors in our community have been putting our heads together on why we support Option E and I have summarized our collective reasoning here:

- Option 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.
- Option E sets the town on the path of creating a master plan, something that will benefit residents today and far into the future.
- Option E has the least amount of student disruption.
- The cost difference between C and E is minimal, but with E we get a chance to 'restart the clock' through a new school.
- Option E creates a safe, long-term solution for the issues that have plagued our town for more than 3 decades.
- The survey data clearly shows that there is wide-range support for Option E – and movement from those who voted 'no' at the last referendum to vote 'yes' in November. In short, Option E can pass a public vote.

I know many of you want to push through a proposal that will pass. In my opinion, Options B and C are bad investments and are less likely to receive enough support to pass. I urge you to support Option E.

Thank you for your time.

Abby Wark

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