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[CE SBAC] Writing in support of Option E

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To: cesbac@capeelizabethschools.org

Dear School Building Advisory Committee,

Thank you for your hard work studying and considering options that will address our school infrastructure needs. I am writing to you to express my support for Option E.

I have lived in Cape Elizabeth for the last 24 years and all 3 of my children have gone through the school system from kindergarten through high school. And there is no doubt that our school buildings are in dire need of attention and investment. Yes, we have an excellent school system with amazing teachers, administration, and great programs, but the school buildings themselves are old, outdated and unsafe; it is putting our school system in peril. I am disappointed that as a community, we are putting our children at risk by ignoring the state of disrepair of these buildings, especially the middle school building. All you have to do is take a tour of the buildings and a myriad of issues are front and center. I am hopeful that Option E will be advanced and voted for by the town.

All of the options you are considering for our school buildings are expensive and will affect each and every taxpayer in town. I urge you to advance Option E, the only option that will address the long-term infrastructural needs of our schools as well as being the most fiscally responsible. We simply cannot continue to try and fix the problems with band aid solutions because they are temporary and, in the end, cost us more. We need to face reality and stop kicking the can down the road for future generations to deal with. The time is now and Option E is our best option.

Thank you again for volunteering your time to resolve this crucial issue.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Clifford

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