Town of Fairfield

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Chairman Eric D. Coleman
Chairman William Tong
Esteemed Members of the Judiciary Committee

Re: SB 1108: An Act Concerning the Zero-Tolerance Safe School Environment Act

Dear Chairmen Coleman and Tong,

On behalf of the Town of Fairfield, I want to express my strong support for SB 1108: An Act Concerning the Zero-Tolerance Safe School Environment Act to increase the penalties for threatening when a threat involves a preschool, school or an institution of higher education.

The Town of Fairfield prides itself on keeping all of our residents, especially our youth, safe. In an effort to further enforce safety in our schools, I hope this important and timely bill passes to help deter any threats against schools by strengthening penalties for anyone convicted of these crimes.

Given threats made or unfortunate actions carried out at our nation's schools, it is imperative that this bill is passed to not only set an example for other states, but to make laws even tougher for anyone wanting to seek any ill-will against our most innocent and defenseless population.

The goal of our town, and every town in the nation, is to ensure that every student attends a safe school without fear or anxiety and that parents, staff and administrators, and communities, can be assured that every student is in a secure environment.

I strongly urge you to pass this extremely important bill. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Tetreau
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