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Hartford, Connecticut 06106

RE: Please support SB-00359


My name is Junqi Ding, a resident in Woodbridge CT. As a Principal Scientist in a global corporation in Trumbull, CT, I also serve as the Principal of Southern Connecticut Chinese School, a Sunday school in New Haven, CT. The school has around 500 students from 40 towns in the great New Haven area and about 15% of them are from the non-heritage families.

I am writing to express my personal support to SB-00359: AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DISAGGREGATION OF STUDENT DATA BY ETHNIC SUBGROUPS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION SYSTEM. As a scientist and educator, I cannot see any benefit to let our students feel that they are different because of the origins of them or their ancestors. Individuals of all races and ethnicities should not be categorized by an additional subcategory of personal information linked to national origin.

I wish you will vote to support the bill.

Yours sincerely,

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