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Subject: Opposition to SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874

- As a parent of public school students, I strongly oppose SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874 and any other bill that opens the door to forced regionalization of Connecticut Public Schools.

It is important for me to stress that:

- We moved here for the schools, and existing school quality is what keeps us here
- I am a small business owner in New Canaan, CT and I would move my family and my business if this regionalization of schools passes. My husband and I are highly educated, mid-career professionals and choose to live in New Canaan, CT for the school system. We are able to work and live in any number of cities around the world and would move immediately if there is a regionalized change to the CT schools
- None of these bills include even one mention of school quality
- I have concern about potential impact of larger school sizes, decreasing administrator and community engagement, etc.

I hope you will oppose SB 738, SB 457, SB 874, and any other legislation that opens the door to forced regionalization of Connecticut public schools.

Sincerely,

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