

I have chosen to be a resident of Connecticut, specifically Wilton, on two occasions; in 1994 and again in 1998 where I remain with my family today. The decision to buy the houses that became homes was driven by the excellent schools, knowing that my daughter would receive the very best education. So much so that as friends in Westchester and other Connecticut communities flocked to private schools, we firmly and happily stayed with the Wilton school system. And now, what was a freedom is being infringed upon and endangered. The short-term financial gains of regionalizing school districts will exacerbate the erosion of value, lifestyle and investment Connecticut and communities like Wilton are already enduring. I have run businesses for most of my career and hard choices are always a consideration. But until we exhaust opportunities for sustainable gains such as incentives for companies to come to and stay in Connecticut, creating jobs that have seen a decade of decline, and to address the go-forward trajectory pension deficits, let's be very careful with the decisions we make concerning our last great bastion in Connecticut, our wonderful community schools. Signed a very concerned parent, tax payer, and for now, 20 year resident of Wilton, Connecticut,

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