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Educational Committee  
Legislative Office Building  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT

Dear Educational Committee:

I am a lifelong resident of Connecticut and an eleven-year resident of Woodbridge. My wife and I moved to Woodbridge to raise our family partially based on the superior school system. We have three young daughters in the public-school system. We are firmly against the school regionalization. We chose this town and pay appropriate taxes and cost of living expenses for the schools. To separate and potential diminish the stellar quality of education is unacceptable.

Vote down proposed bills **SB 738**, **SB 457**, and **SB 874** on the forced integration of our public schools. This is not good for our town, our region, and our state. It will have a negative effect on the quality of education, the long-term success of our children, and the future of Connecticut. It will also have a negative effect on the property value and the ability to draw high caliber residents with high paying jobs to our community. Finally, this change could cause an increase on the erosion of hard working families from our great state.

I can be reached at the above contact information. Vote down proposed bills **SB 738**, **SB 457**, and **SB 874** on the forced integration of our public schools.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Hopkins