

February 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

To whom it may concern,

**Re: 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.

We moved to CT for the schools, and existing school quality is what keeps us here. None of these bills include even one mention of school quality. I believe these changes would erode the quality and the character of our local schools, subsequently eroding the quality of our town. I have significant concerns about the potential impact of larger school sizes, decreasing administrator and community engagement. I have heard several families who are similarly concerned and are looking to move out of state if this change goes through.

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.

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