

February 26, 2019

Education Committee  
Hartford, CT 06106

Re: SB 738, SB 457 and SB 874 - John and Nagore Huntley, Wilton, CT

I am writing to express my opposition to Connecticut school regionalization, specifically Senate Bills 454 & 738 introduced by Sen. Martin Looney, Senate Bill 457 introduced by state Senate Majority Leader Bob Duff, and Governor's Bill 874 introduced by Governor Ned Lamont. I would also like to express my opposition to any future Bills or legislative action that includes the regionalization of Connecticut schools.

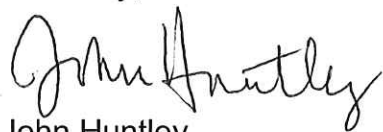
I grew up in Stratford and attended Stratford public schools from kindergarten through high school. I am a lifelong resident of Connecticut, with the exception of the five years I spent in Ohio while attending Miami University. Upon graduation I moved back to Connecticut because I love all the state has to offer.

In 2000 I married and moved to Trumbull where my wife and I spent five years developing our relationship and our careers. In 2005, in an effort to reduce my wife's commute, we decided to relocate. We decided on Wilton, Connecticut. We could have moved anywhere in the tri-state area. We could have moved to a less expensive town or to a place with a more vibrant nightlife, but we chose Wilton. We chose Wilton because we knew we would eventually be starting a family and the Wilton public school system is one of the best in the state.

I am happy to say that my wife and I are now the proud parents of two healthy, active, and smart young boys ages 12 and 7. They love their friends. They love their town. And they love their school. A school that is the center of the town and that has served them well through the years. A school that if allowed to continue to prosper, as it has for so many years without the overreach of State government, will continue to serve them well through high school and into college.

Please oppose Connecticut school regionalization.

Sincerely,



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