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Honourable Jennifer Whiteside
Minister of Education
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Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

RE: New School for Cedar Elementary in Campbell River

Dear Minister Whiteside:

As a B.C. voter and North Island constituent, I am writing to urge you and the Ministry of Education to approve and fund the construction of a new Cedar Elementary School building in School District 72, Campbell River.

This issue is important because all students deserve to have a safe and welcoming environment in which to learn and the students of Cedar Elementary are not being afforded that opportunity. By the province's own facility condition index, Cedar Elementary is one of only a few schools in the province classified in the 'Very Poor' condition rating.

The Campbell River School District has tried to maintain the building to the best of their abilities, but there is only so much repair work that can be done before a building should be decommissioned. Cedar Elementary is well past that point.

Instead of the province continuing to put funds towards trying to sustain this building with seismic upgrades and patchwork fixes, I urge you to recognize that this building is no longer suitable for the type of education we aspire towards providing the students of British Columbia.

Cedar Elementary students, families and staff deserve better. The time has come to give this community a new revitalized school.

Thank you for your time and I hope that our community can count on your support.

Regards,

(Signature)

(Print name)

(Business name, if applicable)

(Address)

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