

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

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Thomas E. Dernoga

Chair District 1

October 31, 2023

The Honorable Judy Mickens-Murray Chair, Board of Education Sasscer Administration Building 14201 School Lane Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Dear Chair Mickens-Murray:

In response to your and Superintendent House's letter dated September 25, 2023, the Prince George's County Council approves the Board of Education's FY 2024 Operating Budget Financial Review and Transfer Request. The requested transfer will add \$2,308,634 in Board revenues to be expended within the Student Health Services category to mitigate and combat student vaping and nicotine addiction. The transfer is required to comply with State law, as it realigns approved appropriations within major expenditure categories to maintain fiscal stability.

We understand that the requested transfer will realign expenditure categories for Fiscal Year 2024 to meet the evolving needs of the Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) student population. The request increases funding in the Student Health Services category due to the settlement agreement with JUUL Labs, Inc.

The revised approved Board of Education FY 2024 Operating budget will increase by \$2,308,634 to \$2,813,515,115. This increase is shown in Exhibit A, attached, and the Board Action Summary, dated September 21, 2023.

The County Council looks forward to continued efforts with the Board of Education to strengthen further and improve the performance and effectiveness of Prince George's County Public Schools. If I can be of further assistance, please contact my office.

Sincerely

Thomas E. Dernoga Chair Prince George's County Council