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Chair
At-Large Council Member

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The Honorable Dr. Juanita Miller, Chair
Prince George's County Board of Education
Sasscer Administration Building
14201 School Lane
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Dear Dr. Miller:

The Prince George's County Council herewith transmits an approved FY 2023 Board of Education Operating Budget in the amount of \$2,630,211,000 for the support of Prince George's County Public Schools. The County's contribution to the Board exceeds the minimum required contribution by \$24,420,727, and the overall approved budget is 12.2%, or \$286,978,600, more than the current fiscal year's approved operating budget. This increase includes an additional \$725,000 allocated by the State for the "Fixed Charges" category. Attachment 1 provides a summary of the County Council's approved FY 2023 Operating Budget revenue, by source, along with expenditure allocations, by major category.

While the COVID-19 pandemic caused a downward adjustment of anticipated revenues and led to much uncertainty, the County is experiencing a gradual return toward pre-pandemic levels of revenue. Therefore, the County Council has approved the full amount of the Proposed FY 2023 Operating Budget for the Board of Education, with the inclusion of the additional \$725,000 allocated by the State.

Adequate funding for the Board of Education remains a priority for the Council as a way to advance the school system's objectives and improve the outcomes of our students. Despite the unprecedented, challenging, and changing pandemic, our schools have aptly adapted and have continued to provide quality education and resources for students.

The County Council shares the ideals of the Prince George's County Public Schools Transformation 2026: Equity & Excellence. We look forward to continued progress in achieving the vision set forth in the CEO's Focus Areas: Academic Innovation, Transformational Workforce, Organizational Learning Culture, Safe & Supportive Environments, and Infrastructure & Operational Enhancements.

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Our commitment to providing funding support helps to ensure that our schools will meet the needs of the community. Thereby, the Council has allocated 62.2% of the County's approved FY 2023 General Fund budget to the Board of Education.

The Council thanks the Board of Education, the CEO, and the staff of our school system for their efforts to address the immediate public health and safety needs of our students while developing successful and college- or career-ready students. We look forward to our ongoing commitment to the Board of Education during these times. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely yours,

Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair, Prince George's County Council