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Dear Superintendent Dr McCartney, Board of Education Members:

First of all I and my family would like to thank you for your fine efforts at navigating the RCS Central School District back on course. Your untiring study and analysis and your leadership together with a team spirit when working with the RCS board of education to arrive at some level of collaboration is truly appreciated.

The purpose of this letter is not to give you a big head nor to second-guess results, however.

I am sending you this letter to expressly state that I object to any tax levy that exceeds 2% and urge you to even further reduce the tax levy to 0% and make appropriate adjustments to the 2012-13 RCS Central School District budget.

The fat in the budget not only hurts the property owner and business base in this RCS district, it has far—reaching secondary effects on our local economy, including a negative effect on our property values. Those effects are not restricted to this community alone but adversely affect the entire region and beyond.

I realize that there are elements in this RCS community who are using or misusing resources, very likely RCS CSD resources, such as parents' e-mail addresses, that should not be used for political purposes, to get their partisan message out to the community. Most of us do not have access to those resources and, even if we had such access, would probably not misuse or abuse them for the purpose of propagandizing the community. That having been said, we also urge you to investigate whether such RCS CSD resources are being abused and misused for such purposes.

I am aware that such abuse and misuse is a criminal violation of both the HIPAA and the FERPA.

Once again, I wish to make very clear that I do not support a tax levy in excess of 2% and would urge you to reduce the levy to 0%, if possible, and to make appropriate adjustments to the budget, and to further sanitize RCS CSD programs and services. Furthermore, I join with my fellow residents to demand that the misuse of emails and other confidential information be urgently addressed and that the District Office report to the community on its findings as soon as possible.

Thank you for your efforts!

Concerned RCS Resident