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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Members of the Board of Education,

For the past two years, it has been a privilege and honor to work here with thousands of wonderful people who are deeply committed to the education of all students. That would not have been possible without the support of this Board of Education.

I'm especially pleased that we've been able to slow the decline in enrollment two years in a row, while leading the state's large urban districts in meeting AYP targets under No Child Left Behind.

After much reflection, I've decided to exercise Option E, Number 6, of my employment contract by informing you in writing that I will be leaving, effective December 31, 2007.

You may be aware that I'll be turning 62 later this month, and I've concluded that the end of this fall is the appropriate time to go. Now I know that some are arguing that age 60 is the new 40, but I'm not feeling that way.

I'm looking forward to the revitalization of my consulting business, Urban School Imagineers, and to "getting retirement right" in Kensington, a neighborhood that my wife and I have come to thoroughly enjoy.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve as your superintendent. I'm confident that you'll be able to find a stellar replacement.

Sincerely,

Carl A. Cohn
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