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October 1, 2009

Mr. Steve Cook
2444 Capitan Ave.
San Diego, CA 92104

Dear Mr. *Steve* Cook:

I wanted to thank you for meeting with me when I visited McKinley Elementary School on September 16. I appreciate the time and perspective you shared with me.

I understand your concerns about public schools and declining state funding for K-12 education. While the federal stimulus program will ease some of the financial crunch for two years or so, schools like McKinley must continue to seek more revenue for your programs. I want you to know that I heard your directions about increasing funding for targeted integration, and will work to waive state fines for classes forced to exceed maximum student levels. It is unfair to penalize schools that place more students in each classroom because of state budget cuts.

I appreciate the contributions and sacrifices you are making on behalf of your children and all students at McKinley. Your involvement keeps our public schools strong and the community is grateful for your hard work. You are making a difference! I also commend your dedication in maintaining your IB program – good work.

Thank you again and please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of help in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Kehoe".

CHRISTINE KEHOE
State Senator, 39th District

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