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Dear Governor Rauner and Leaders:

Without approval and enactment of a PK-12 Education Budget for FY18 by the end of May, there will be widespread anxiety and concern throughout the State among community stakeholders, parents, students, school board members and administrators. This unprecedented funding crisis will touch districts in different ways depending on the extent to which the local district relies on general state aid to operate.

In (add school district name and outline changes, cuts, etc. that will have to be made if there is no budget).

Further, a comprehensive, balanced budget for all State government must be approved. Through the two-year budget stalemate, K-12 schools have suffered, higher education has suffered, and the failure to fund social services has been harmful to at-risk constituencies, students in public schools, service providers and vendors, and the community at large. The failure to fund our social service agencies and providers has affected the entire communities in which our public schools are located. The legislature, in a bi-partisan fashion, must adopt a budget that the Governor will sign.

Respectfully,