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Dear Cincinnati Public Schools Board,

I am writing to recommend your selection of Dr. Kareem Moffett to fill the vacancy on the Cincinnati Public Schools Board.

I am a life-long resident of Cincinnati and graduate of Cincinnati Public Schools. I specifically support Dr. Moffett because of her expertise in education and her success as parent of two CPS graduates and one child still enrolled in CPS. In addition, I applaud her determination to increase workforce development opportunities for CPS students. She understands that a number of CPS students will not attend college immediately after graduation. Dr. Moffett advocates enhancing opportunities for students to develop workplace skills and enter career training pathways in progress to graduating from CPS. The pathways could engage students to complete certifications, apprenticeships or internships to be more employable upon graduation.

Dr. Moffett has a tremendous record of community service including 2013-present serves on the Withrow High School Local School Decision Making Committee (LSDMC) which is the governing body for that school. Elected chairperson of the Withrow LSDMC and was involved in the selection of the principal; 2005-2009, City of Cincinnati, Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC), appointed by the Cincinnati City Manager to review all applications submitted to the City for the Community Block Grant and the General Fund Operating Grant; 2001-2005, Wesley Education Center for Families, Board of Directors, Member. Center serves children (ages 6 months. to 12 years) of Cincinnati-area families.

Dr. Moffett was endorsed by the National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Chapter because of the values she has demonstrated and her service to the community.

I give Dr. Kareem Moffett my highest recommendation for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Stewart, Ph.D., LSW