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STATE OF WISCONSIN)

COUNTY OF SAWYER) SS: 293-68-4459

I, Julie Leizeman, do state and aver to the following:

1. The attached letter is a true and accurate description of the hardships my family and I have faced since the announced closing of Conserve School's four year college preparatory school.

2. The closing of the school at the end of this school year creates an immediate and irreparable harm on my family and child.

Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence this 23rd day of February, 2009.

Notary Public

expires 5/15/2011

It is unacceptable for my son to attend our local public high school (which he has never attended) due to the school having until very recently been in a state-declared "Emergency" for both reasons of academic failure and budgetary concerns, as well as rampant drug problems within the school. It is also unacceptable for him to return to the Country Day School from which he came because in eight years he was unable to find friends or social inclusion within his peers which was psychologically harmful to him.

There are no other schools in our local area that can adequately service Kegan's educational needs, and it is my feeling that it would be reckless and therefore cause additional harm for me to try to uproot our family, whole or in part, and relocate to provide another school option for my son.

As a fallback measure, we have applied for next year, but not yet been accepted, to Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, MI. He was accepted last year but we turned down the admission in favor of Conserve School largely because we felt Conserve was a much better environment for him due to the less competitive and more cooperative and cohesive nature of the student body. Were he to attend Cranbrook, it would be with mixed feelings and a bit of apprehension. It would also require our family to incur significant additional expense for which we are unprepared.

The announced transition of Conserve School has had profound impact on our family functions in that it is and has been the chief preoccupation of both myself and my husband since the announcement on January 30th. Our lives now revolve around networking with other Conserve parents for support, writing letters and other efforts to try to reverse the trustees' decision, and researching and discussing other options we might pursue for Kegan's remaining high school years. This process has been incredibly disruptive to my personal pursuits, my husband's career, and my younger son's well being.

The effects on Kegan are as of yet undetermined; I do not expect them to be insignificant.