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Dr. W. Bryan Bowles, Superintendent

Committee Members,

I am deeply honored to share with you my thoughts concerning the School of Life Foundation. I have been a counselor in the private and public sector working with youth on character development, thinking errors, behavior modification, and positive psychology for over 11 years. I have seen the impact that adult mentors and unconditional positive regard can have on students as they transition to adulthood. The School of Life Foundation provides students with these key elements and a meaningful experience that offers them the clarity and guidance needed to make good decisions.

Davis School District piloted this program at Northridge High School this year, and although the Administration was skeptical at first, they have declared to me that the School of Life has changed their students! They have told me that they are excited to see their student leaders become involved in this program next year and further champion the program. When I asked that they share with me some feedback they eagerly responded with praise concerning the life changes that SOLF facilitates.

We are expanding this program into another high school next year and look forward to further reaching students who need the adult support, personal insight, and the direction that this program offers. It truly teaches our students that they are unique, strong, cared for, and they can overcome. As a result, the school culture is more welcoming, behavioral issues are resolved, and graduation rates increase.

It has been a pleasure to hear about the individual triumphs that come as a result of Jack Rolfe's life's work. I look forward to hearing about many more, as goals are reached, hearts are opened and opportunities revealed as students are taught the A's of life through the efforts of the School of Life Foundation.

With much gratitude,

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