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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB767

Dear Senator

I am the parent of a child (whom does not have any siblings) who attends City View Charter school in Hillsboro Oregon. I am writing in opposition to this bill.

City View is the only charter school in the Hillsboro School District. We are so grateful for this school. My child is thriving academically, socially, and emotionally. City View's focus is Expeditionary Learning (EL) philosophy which is 'Learning by Doing', with an emphasis placed upon fieldwork (hands on experience within our community and bringing subject matter experts into the classroom). The teachers are absolutely amazing and the children have developed strong bonds and very supportive of one another.

City View has invested significant time (many years) and resources (staff and parent volunteers) to purchase a school within the district. It is a competitive market and companies, who will pay top-dollar for this prime location and are beyond the means of a Charter School. Our school has just found affordable real estate just a half-mile outside of the district and was hoping to purchase and operate the school from there.

This bill will kill our small school's future. I urge you on behalf of my child not to pass this bill as-is. Please do not endanger grass-roots Charter schools like City View. Please make some provision to grandfather operating schools, or exempt non-profit schools. Please vote 'no' or bring this bill back to the drawing board entirely.

I thank you in advance for your thoughtful time and consideration.

Kind Regards
Anne Page