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I am a parent of a student at City View Charter School. As the only public HSD charter school, it would be ideal for us to remain inside HSD boundaries. Many dedicated volunteers for CVCS have worked diligently for over a decade, trying to locate a space within HSD boundaries that meets the unique requirements of a K-8 school, with zero success. After years of searching, we finally found a site that could be our forever home. A site that would allow CVCS to continue to provide 300+ Oregon students access to a free, high-quality, public-school education that they are all entitled to. Senate bill 767 would kill City View's future by preventing us from operating in this new location simply because it resides roughly half a mile from the HSD district boundary line.

On a personal level, City View is the only school community our child has known since the pandemic hit. It's been a warm, familiar place for him during a time of so much uncertainty. I've seen nothing but dedication to student success and support since our kid started Kindergarten there in 2020. If this bill passes as is, without any amendments or flexibility, our school community will be destroyed. Children need stability, consistency, and a safe community to thrive, which City View is dedicated to and continues to provide. Without City View, 300+ students will be uprooted and separated from friends that they have built connections with. I implore you to empathize with our families and consider the negative impact this bill, if passed, will have on our community, as well as others like ours, around the state.