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LaShakia Moore, Superintendent
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Dear Superintendent Moore,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you of an important decision regarding our ongoing financial commitments to the school district. As you are aware, our county government has been dedicated to supporting the educational needs of our community through various legacy expenditures over the years. However, after careful review and consideration, we have concluded that we can no longer sustain annual legacy expenditures that are not directly aligned with our strategic plan or mandated by state statute, while at the same time achieving our responsibility as county government.

While we deeply value the contributions these expenditures have made to our schools in the past, we must prioritize our resources to ensure that they are used most effectively to support the goals outlined in our strategic plan. Additionally, as stewards of taxpayer dollars, we have a responsibility to ensure that our spending is in line with the needs of our community and the requirements set forth by state law.

Therefore, it is necessary for us to establish a transition plan to gradually transfer the financial responsibility for these legacy expenditures to the school district. We understand that this may pose challenges in the short term, but we are committed to working collaboratively with you and your team to ensure a smooth transition process. We believe that by aligning our financial resources with our strategic priorities, we can better serve the needs of our community as a whole.

Based on our records, we estimate these annual expenditures to be approximately \$1,400,000. To facilitate this transition, we would like to schedule a meeting at your earliest convenience to discuss the specific details and timeline for transferring these expenditures to the school district. We are open to exploring any potential solutions or strategies that may help ease the transition process and minimize any disruptions to school operations.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to working together to ensure the continued success of our schools.

Sincerely,

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