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To the State Charter Board of Directors:

My name is Julie Confer and I have the privilege of working at Doral Academy of Northern Nevada. I wanted to let you know the implications of your decision today should you chose to let Rebecca instill a mandate to force our school to go to a full distance learning model.

As I'm sure you are aware, all public elementary schools in our county have been permitted to fully reopen five days a week. There is a school less than one mile from Doral that can fully reopen, but we cannot should you vote in Rebecca's favor. This is a major inequity issue as all children in our county should have an equal right to a public education. If this is announced today, we could lose many students to the district schools which would directly affect our funding. That means that we could lose teachers, and possibly our building if we do not have enough funding to pay our mortgage. Last year, Doral was #3 in the state for elementary schools!

I know that you don't know the kids and teachers at our school, but I do. We work in an amazing building where children are healthy, happy, and safe. Our staff members are friendly, caring, highly educated individuals who have worked tirelessly to give our students the best education in our county and have done so with joy. We have built a plan for our school that ensures the safety of our students and staff and we should be trusted with their care and maintenance. I have three children at Doral and I am completely confident that they will be safe at school with all the additional cleaning procedures and social distancing protocols we have put in place.

What I'm asking is that you wait. Please wait until after your new rubric is officially initiated and look at the data for the next two weeks rather than the previous two weeks. This would be an appropriate use of your administration procedures while using previous data would certainly not. As we all know by now, two weeks can make a huge difference when it comes to Covid-19. This will give us a chance to see and spend time with our students and make that crucial face-to-face connections that so many children are in desperate need of.

Timing is everything. With the district schools in Washoe County opening on Monday, this news today would be detrimental to our school. I ask that you look very closely at the data for Washoe County and the zip code in which our school is located (89511) and you will see that it looks very different than the rest of the city and Clark County.

If you have any questions or want to hear more about our great school, please do not hesitate to call or email any time. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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