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Dear Members of the Nevada State Public Charter School Authority,

I am writing as a father and Doral Academy of Northern Nevada (DANN) parent to urge your support and approval of the amendment allowing DANN to construct a new K-12 campus on the UNR Farms Parcel through a long-term ground lease and affiliation agreement with UNR.

We have two children currently attending DANN—one in 7th grade and one in 5th grade. Our journey to Doral started with two years on a waitlist, and we are now in our sixth year as part of the school community. Over these years, my wife and I have witnessed firsthand the profound impact DANN's whole-child educational model has had on our family.

When our daughter started in our local public school, she struggled socially and was slipping through the cracks. Once she transferred to DANN in 2nd grade, the difference was immediate and night-and-day. The faculty and administration did not just focus on test scores; they stepped up with dedicated personal time, guidance, and social support to help her find her confidence. Today, both of our children are in the Gifted and Talented Program, excelling academically, and growing into confident, well-rounded young people.

Beyond academics, DANN fosters a strong, supportive community where older and younger students interact through mentorship, bullying is minimal, and daily programs in art, music, and physical activity keep students engaged.

While our current location serves us well, physical site limitations—such as tight facility space and pick-up traffic congestion—highlight the clear need for a permanent, purpose-built facility. A new campus on the UNR Farms Parcel will give DANN the space required to serve students effectively and broaden its impact through a partnership with UNR.

DANN has delivered on its promise to our children, and this project will ensure it can continue doing so for years to come. I respectfully ask for your vote in favor of this amendment.

Sincerely,
Logan Shaw
DANN Parent & Volunteer