November 15, 2016

The Honorable Steve Sweeney

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Dear Senator Sweeney,

I am writing with concerns about Cherry Hill Public School state funding. Cherry Hill School District has been shortchanged since 2008. I urge you to act so that the district receives its fair share.

According to the State’s own SFRA formula, Cherry Hill was allocated $16.5 million annually since 2008. Cherry Hill has never received its fully allotted amount having received an average of $12.2 million per year. The yearly underfunding has resulted in a cumulative $62 million loss to Cherry Hill.

As a result of the underfunding, we have deteriorating buildings, outdated technology, loss of key educational staff, poor playing fields, and broken playground equipment.

Fair State funding could provide building upgrades, more technology, additional staffing, supplementary sports and playground equipment, parking lot improvements, and more.

Cherry Hill residents, children, teachers, and administrators deserve better resources.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter. I look forward to hearing what you plan to do to get Cherry Hill its fair share of SFRA funding.

Respectfully submitted,

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