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Incumbent & Caucus Candidate for a 3-year term as a member of the School Committee



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2017 Town Caucus Remarks

Thank you so much for coming out tonight and thank you Ed for your thoughtful remarks on behalf of my nomination.

At the outset, I want to tell you how much I have really enjoyed serving on Bedford School Committee for these last four years. I initially applied for an open seat on school committee because I thought it was important to have a member who had a child with special needs. Looking back now I realize that while my motives were well intentioned, they were rather incomplete.

The reason I am running again is because I have really enjoyed serving on school committee and I appreciate living in a town committed to meeting the needs of all its students. We are so fortunate to live here. All of our residents strongly support public education. It makes Bedford a very attractive place to live for families looking for a new home and for teachers who could teach anywhere and choose to teach here.

We have a strong superintendent who has created a very good leadership team. Families want to send their children here because Bedford does such a good job educating all its students. As our town grows, we are poised to meet the needs of our growing school age population and are doing the necessary

planning to accommodate that growth through the building of additions to our schools. The town's strong fiscal health makes it possible and doable.

My legal background coupled with my experience as an advocate and lobbyist for children on Beacon Hill, helps me to be an even more effective school committee member. I know all too well from my work at Mass Advocates for Children that most children in the Commonwealth are not as fortunate as the students who walk through the Bedford school doors each day.

I am committed to doing all that I can to continue to support the Bedford schools and to be an even more effective school committee member. I am proud of the work that I have done and learn something new at every school committee meeting I attend. I thank you for your past support and ask for you to vote in support of my nomination tonight and again on Election Day.

Thank you very much.