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To: Maurice DePalo, Chairman, Beal Building Reuse Committee

From: B. Dale Magee, M.D., chair, School Committee

Re: Beal Building Reuse

The School Committee received your letter, dated February 20, 2018 on February 28th and discussed it at our meeting on March 14th. The letter requests feedback from the School Committee to see if the School Department has any interest in utilizing the existing Beal building before (the Reuse Committee) proceeds.

In keeping with the "Statement of Interest" submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority requesting assistance with a building project to address the district's space needs, which indicated that the Beal building was coming to the end of its useful life as a functional school, we believe that the School Department should discontinue the use of the current Beal School *if and when a new Beal school comes online*.

Because of the age and condition of the current Beal building, the School Committee's intention is to cease the School Department's utilization of the building and parcel for its purposes when it is no longer needed due to the successful construction of a new Beal School.

The current School Committee also recognizes that at such time the Beal building at 1 Maple Avenue is no longer needed for its current purpose, a future School Committee would have the authority to formally vote to close the school and vote to relinquish control of the property, and that the current School Committee cannot, and should not, bind a future School Committee regarding these decisions which must consider the school district's situation at that time.

Thank you.

B. Dale Magee, M.D.
Chair, School Committee

C: Joseph Sawyer, School Superintendent
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