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Dear Neighbor of Evergreen Elementary School,

This letter is to provide you with an update concerning the status of and pending changes to Evergreen Elementary School, and to invite you to a community meeting if you would like additional information.

Informational Meeting

An informational meeting will be held August 19, 2010 at the Terrace Park Elementary Commons beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend but have additional questions or suggestions, please contact either of us using the information below.

Status and Pending Changes at Evergreen Elementary School

As many of you know, due to declining enrollment and significant budget reductions Evergreen Elementary School was closed beginning with the 2009-10 school year. Students from the school were re-assigned to Mountlake Terrace Elementary or Terrace Park Elementary. While this was a change no one preferred, we are very appreciative of the help from parents and staff in making this transition as smooth as possible for students.

In June of 2009 the City of Mountlake Terrace initiated and subsequently approved a zoning change for the site, designating it for "Freeway/Tourist" use. Although the School District had anticipated leasing the building for use as a school on an interim basis, the regulatory changes no longer permit that to occur. The new zoning also does not permit the District to re-open the site as a public elementary school.

Because of these limitations the District now plans to demolish the building beginning this mid-September, eliminating a significant liability for risk and maintenance and as a first step in preparing the site for redevelopment at a future time. No negotiations are currently underway for this property, but the District will monitor the economy to determine when to market the site for redevelopment under a long-term ground lease. By state law, revenue generated from the lease or sale of school district property must be used for capital construction, and any revenues from this site will be used to reduce the tax burden for funding future school district construction projects.

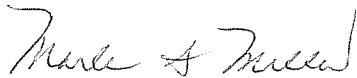
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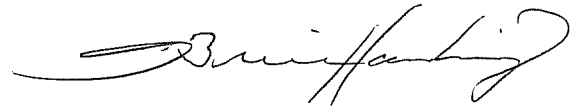
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Again, you are welcome to join us at the information meeting as noted above, or contact us if you would like additional information. Thank you very much for your continued support of the students, staff, and community of Edmonds School District.

Sincerely,



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