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Sent:

Friday, March 01, 2019 4:50 PM

To:

Tornek, Terry

Subject:

ALL public school students deserve fair funding

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Dear Mayor Tornek,

Every child in our community should have access to a great public school. For my child, that great school is a charter public school located within the boundaries of the Pasadena Unified School District.

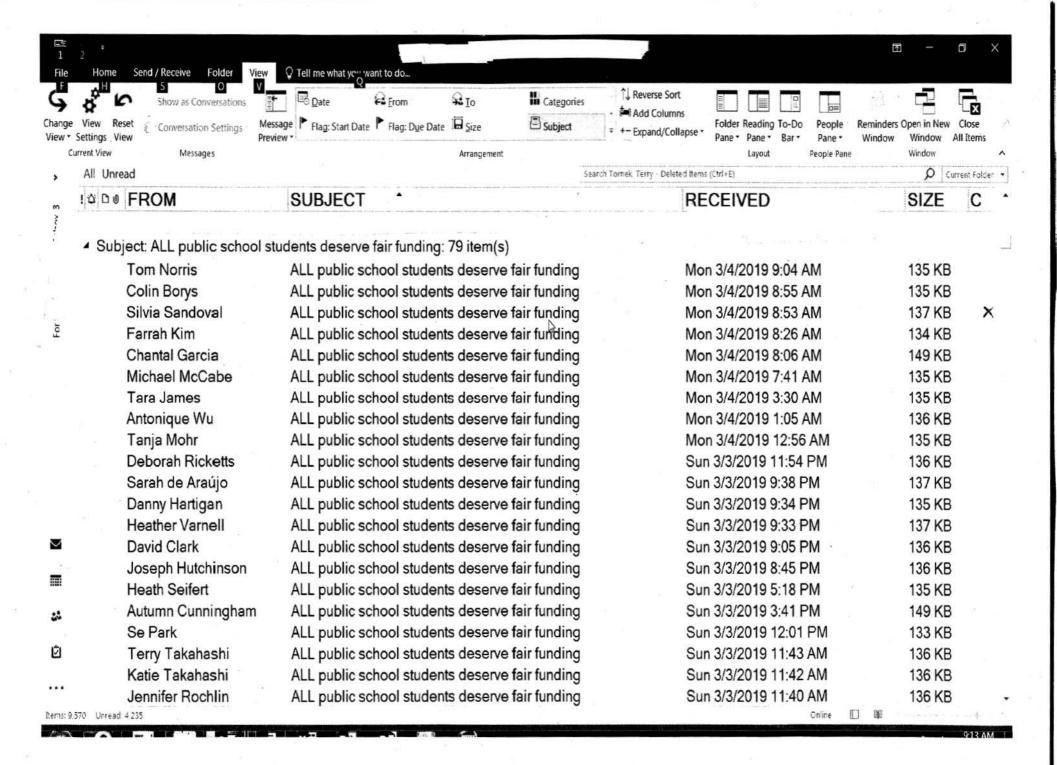
I write today to urge that you use your position as an elected leader in Pasadena to ensure that all public schools benefit from the new Measure J funding. Writing charter public schools out of this funding would be contrary to the language of the ballot measure that proposed new funding to "Pasadena public schools."

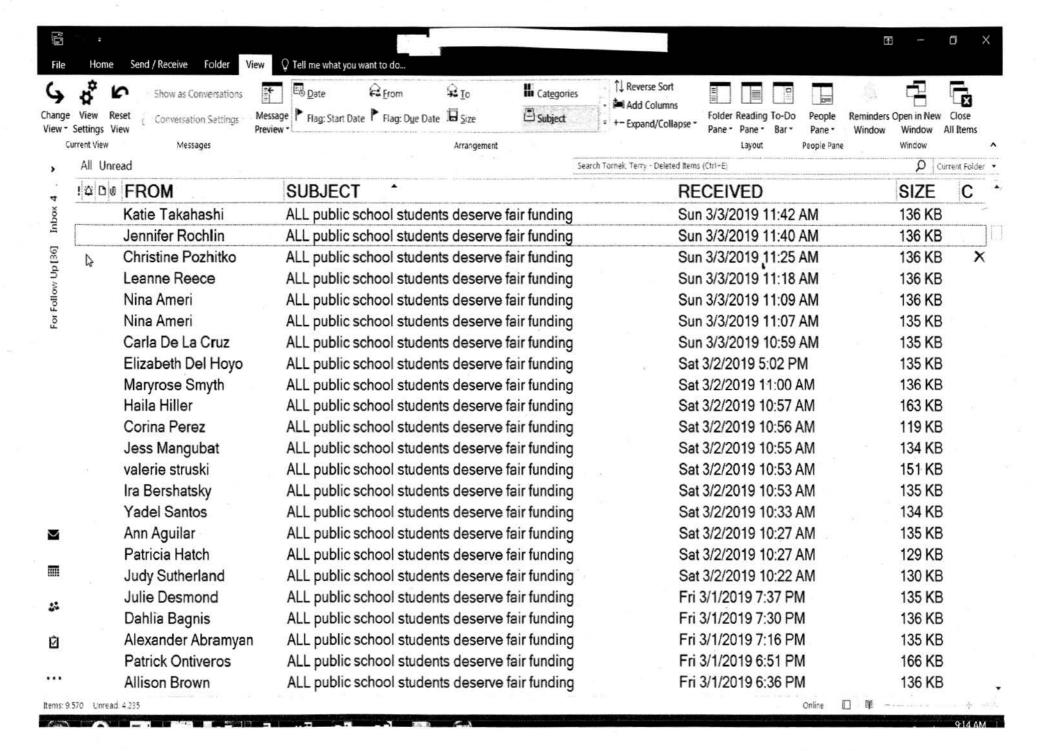
Charter schools work for kids like mine, and charter schools in Pasadena have been an option for parents for two decades. Every child is different, and every child deserves a fair shot to succeed, no matter the school they attend. The only way we can make that happen is by making choices for our public schools that puts the needs of kids first.

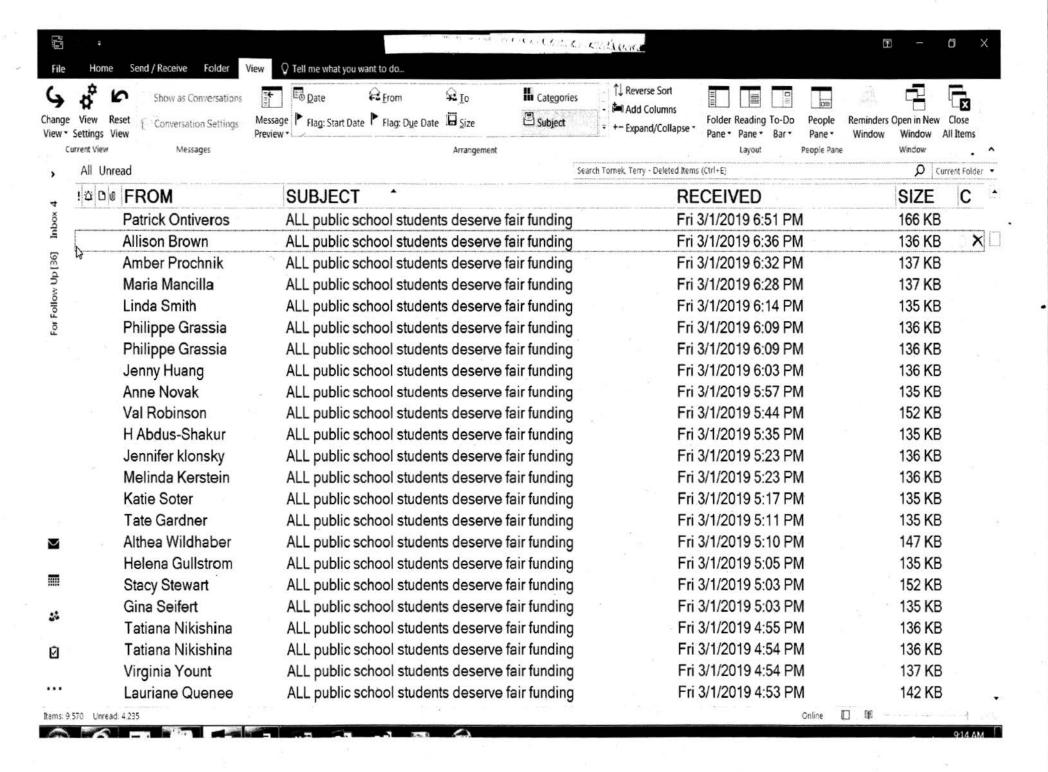
When you debate and vote on this issue, please ensure that all public school students who live within Pasadena Unified receive an equitable share of Measure J funding - including students who attend public charter schools.

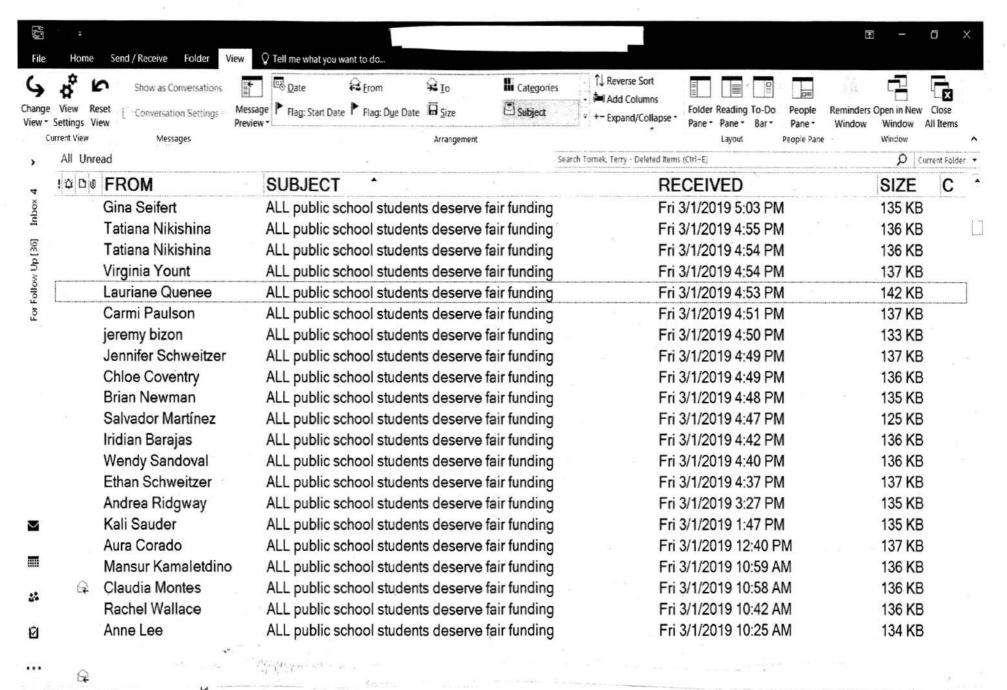
Regards, jeremy bizon

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## Jomsky, Mark

From:

Mellem, Araceli

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2019 10:50 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

FW: Funding from Major J for Charter Schools

From: McAustin, Margaret

Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2019 12:59 PM

To: Val Sklar Robinson <br/>
<br/>bikpas@yahoo.com>; Mellem, Araceli <AMellem@cityofpasadena.net>

Cc: Morales, Margo <mlmorales@cityofpasadena.net>; Val Robinson <Val.Robinson.148546985@p2a.co>

Subject: RE: Funding from Major J for Charter Schools

## Hi Val,

Thank you for your email. I would just like to note a correction. The 1/4cent tax recently enacted, which we expect to generate around \$7 million per year for PUSD is not a parcel tax. It will not increase your property taxes at all, and does not show on your bill. The tax is a sales tax added to the regular sales tax we pay on most items. The tax was structured as a sales tax so that it would be paid not only by those residents in Pasadena who buy stuff, but by nonresidents to come to Pasadena and shop. Additionally, it was structured this way so that Pasadena can keep 100% of the proceeds generated, rather than sharing with the County.

As far as funding the charter schools, that is entirely up to the PUSD board. The City Council has not made any recommendation about whether or not the funds should go to charters. The Council wants the money to go to support the schools and their many good programs, the specific decisions are up to the PUSD board, not the City. Best regards,

Margaret



Councilmember Margaret McAustin
City of Pasadena, District 2
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From: Val Sklar Robinson [mailto:bikpas@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 5:55 PM

To: McAustin, Margaret <mmcaustin@cityofpasadena.net>; Mellem, Araceli <AMellem@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Funding from Major J for Charter Schools

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## Hi Margaret and Araceli

I am writing to you both (Araceli please pass this on to the mayor) regarding the meeting this Monday March 4th for the allocation of funds for Measure J and the 7 million dollars that have been added to our property taxes for our children's education. Our principal has told us that these funds may not go to our kids charter school in Pasadena called Odyssey Charter school. That is not right. I voted and am paying almost a 10% increase in my property taxes and these funds should also be shared with Odyssey charter school as we are a public school. I know there are issues with some

charter schools around the country but ours has been run for 20 years by an excellent leader named Lauren O Neil. She runs this school for all students and does an incredible job making sure our kids are getting the education and social development they need. I can not be at the meeting Monday night but wanted to make sure our school is getting their share of funds from this measure. thanks so much Val Sklar Robinson parent and business owner in Pasadena for over 20 years.

Val Sklar Robinson Owner, Hot Yoga Pasadena 626-304-9642 www.hotyogapasadena.com Keeping Pasadena Hot Since 1998

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