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Ms. Fitzwater,

I read about Ms. Allen's resignation in the FNP, and this morning I saw your fb post about filling the BOE vacancy.

I thought about applying for several days and waffled because I am sure there are many, very qualified folks who could fill that position well; I've heard about the contentious board meetings; I'm also a busy parent. Even with all of those things, I want to apply for the BOE vacancy. I think democracy only works with participation, and applying is something I can do to participate.

I have three kids in FCPS schools: a ninth grader at FHS, a sixth grader at CMS, and a fifth grader at BRES. We've been in FCPS schools since 2019 after we moved here from Hawai'i. I love this community.

My spouse grew up in a military family, and one day he mentioned to me after walking our neighborhood that he felt like this---Frederick---was finally home. Frederick feels like home to me, too. Although our extended family lives all over the country, our home is here.

I believe in community service; I believe in working with all people, every one with different needs and values, to build our community to work for all of us.

I am not ambitious. I don't have an agenda; I just have heart and creativity and a desire to build from common ground.

Lately I've thought about the impact of our community on the quality of my life---how grateful I am for our community. My life is richer because of our community, and I want that richness for everyone.

I've attached my resume.

I wish you every success in filling the vacancy, Ms. Fitzwater.

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"...[T]hose who suffer for others do more damage to humanity than those who enjoy themselves." -Carlo Petrini