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Site Council meeting, 2/22

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Dear Site Council Members,

Like many other parents, I am looking to your Monday meeting hopeful for a sign.

The sign I'm looking for is that you will acknowledge the crisis with TVLC and the threat it poses to our school, and show that you intend to rise to the occasion: that you intend to act with the vigor, tempo, and principles that the situation demands.

This is not just about sending one letter (necessary as that might be): It is about a commitment to drive the long-term reform that our corporation requires, but has shown no prospect of imposing on itself.

TVLC can no longer carry on ungoverned by the parents and unresponsive to their interests. But, we as parents have only one legitimate body that speaks for us and for our school – and that puts you in the hot seat.

I firmly believe the only thing that will save the current framework of our school is if it is operated under good, responsible, ethical, transparent governance. Today we do not have that; and frankly, the blame rests on us as parents... because we, through our Site Council, have systematically tolerated less.

There seems to be an undercurrent of feeling: "If we ask the hard questions, we could lose our school". I am telling you now: If you DON'T begin asking the hard questions, we assuredly will.

It may be that you feel the TVLC locomotive is already over the cliff, and there's nothing you can do now to save the train; that the time has come to simply jump off and watch. You may be right. A lot of opportunity has already gone by with nobody laying a finger on the brake, so the momentum is not in your favor.

But that one car on the train called LVCP is YOUR responsibility. We parents are looking for you to do everything in your power to save it.

Sincerely,

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