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ATTN: Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors;

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Lacey Mauro. I've been a parent at Golden Eagle Charter School for five years. I currently have a 4th grader and a Kindergartener. I've also known Chris Marone and his wife Mona Gutierez for most of my life. I've always known them to be outstanding people, and this is why this situation pains me so much.

There's a saying that detectives are known to use when doing an investigation; "The simplest explanation is usually the right one."

A fellow parent at our school asked Chris Marone point blank, "WHY are you trying to get Golden Eagle shut down?" His answer, and I quote, "Because I don't like Charter Schools."

This appeal has nothing to do with how our Charter has operated, or continues to follow all steps necessary to stay in compliance. His appeal is full of empty threats, concerns that have already been addressed within this very building, and words expressing that he just knows more than all of us put together. But this is a very simple situation. Chris said it himself, he doesn't like Charter Schools, and will do whatever he can to get ours shut down.

Just because someone doesn't "like" something, doesn't give them any grounds to remove it from our community. I don't think he has even thought about the 35+ employees and the 400+ students that are currently enrolled in Golden Eagle throughout the entire county, and how this would affect them.

So, I go back to the saying, "The simplest explanation is usually the right one." He just doesn't like charter schools, it's as simple as that. I ask you today to please see past his opinion, and look into how Golden Eagle has done everything necessary and legal to operate in this county and thrive in their new location. So I'll close with this; please, for the sake of our children and this community, please reserve parents rights to choose which education is best for their child in Siskiyou County, and dismiss his appeal so we can move forward with giving our kids the school they deserve.

Thank you,

Lacey Mauro