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Dear Board President Bueno and Board Trustees Guzman, Prusso, Wang, and White,

It is my honor and privilege to offer my highest recommendation of Mr. Chris Van Schaack as our next Superintendent of Schools for the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District.

Mr. Van Schaack was the first employee I met when I interviewed for the position of principal at Sunset Elementary nearly 5 years ago. He immediately put me at ease ahead of my interview with his professional, calm, and kind demeanor. That first impression made me realize, at that moment, what a special place we have here in Livermore. We are truly focused on people; Mr. Van Schaack exemplifies that focus through his words and actions.

His knowledge of our District never ceases to amaze me; coupled with his wisdom and experience, I see him as the top candidate to serve as our next superintendent. His working relationships, ethics, integrity, sense of humor, intelligence, perspective taking, collaborative nature, and overall personality have led me to hold him in high regard. I trust him beyond measure to always have the best interest of all involved, regardless of the situation.

Having worked in 4 school districts over my 23 year career, I have come to recognize and appreciate excellent leadership. Mr. Van Schaack is an excellent leader and one of the best I have ever worked with. We have consistently used #livermorestrong for years, and I believe with Mr. Van Schaack as our next superintendent we will remain so for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Tom Jones, Principal
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