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Mayor Matthew Tuerk Allentown City Hall 435 Hamilton St. Allentown, PA 18101

RE: Andre Reed Park Upgrades – Allentown School District

Dear Mayor Tuerk and Members of City Council,

I am writing to express my support for Allentown School District's proposed Andre Reed Park upgrade project.

The Allentown School District's mission to meet the academic, emotional, and physical needs of the student includes providing a safe space and environment for the students to engage in physical education and athletic programming. As you may know, the recently completed feasibility study confirmed that the Athletic Facility at Dieruff High School is inadequately meeting those needs.

In an effort to improve upon and provide a more enriching and competitive athletic program for Dieruff students, the District is pursuing partnerships to support upgrades to Andre Reed Park. Some of these include ensuring compliance with the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Standards (PIAA), multipurpose field use, restroom and concession accommodations, as well as spectator/community seating and field lighting.

The families, students, and future leaders of our vibrant and diverse community will greatly benefit from this project, and I urge you to support Allentown School District's initiative in any way you can. Do not hesitate to contact me or my staff at 610-821-8468 or miller@pasenate.com with any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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