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Dear Board of Education,

I am writing a letter of support for the Innovative Design Company. As you know, they built our school, Reedy Fork Elementary. We have found this company to embrace the environment and use that concept to drive their designs. Innovative Design has been responsive to any requests regarding post-construction issues or events.

When building our school, not only did they focus on the environmental aspect but the student, staff, and parent needs as well. The signs inside and outside of the school explain the environmental features that we have at Reedy Fork. This has made the Reedy Fork family and visitors to the school more aware of green issues. Our mission at Reedy Fork Elementary is to encourage the students to serve as environmental ambassadors who enjoy and value learning. The design of the school grounds and features help our students embrace the environment. The planning rooms on each hall help the staff have a place to collaborate and plan lessons to better help our students. Ample storage space is available for staff to organize manipulatives and other materials for their lessons. Custodians also have convenient places to store their equipment so we do not have safety issues. The day lighting helps to provide a calm atmosphere for the students and staff.

After the completion of our building, Innovative Design has been responsive to any needs that have occurred. Lou Geric, the Vice President of Operations, has educated parents and staff about the building features by presenting PowerPoints at our parent meetings. If we have a concern, we call or e-mail Lou and it is taken care of in a timely manner. He follows up through phone calls, e-mails, and site visits.

The Reedy Fork Community is pleased with the quality of the building and we brag about our school at various community events. When visitors come to our school, they comment about the design and the beauty of our school. Reedy Fork Elementary is one of the most energy efficient schools in Guilford County.

It is my pleasure to support Innovative Design for the building of another school in the county.

Sincerely,

Denise Schroeder

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