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Mayor Patrick O Murphy
Lowell City Hall
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Your Honor

Following the decision of the combined Lowell City Council and School Committee I hereby submit my application for consideration to replace the recently resigned School Committeeman Michael Lenzi as a Lowell representative on the School Committee of Greater Lowell Technical High School.

The resignation of Mr Lenzi has created a vacancy that will be hard to fill, but I believe that I have a background that will allow me to serve the interests of Lowell, the Technical High School, and most importantly, the students.

This appointment is very important at this time. It is a trust. The public trust is no small matter. It is one that I have honored throughout my life.

Unlike Michael Lenzi, I have never taught at Great Lowell Technical High School. My teaching has been restricted to teaching strategy and operational art to 40 to 50 year old military officers and federal officials at the National War College; teaching tactics to Italian, Greek and Turkish Fighter Pilots at the NATO Southern Region Air Tactical School; and serving as a US Air Force F-4E Phantom II Instructor Pilot and Flight Examiner, while stationed in Thailand.

On the other hand, I am experienced with committees. I chaired the Budget Committee for the United States Air Forces in Europe in the early 1980s and chaired joint Service "Planner" Sessions on the Joint Staff in the late 1980s. One of the key points hammered home when I attended the Royal Air Force Staff College in England was the importance and value of committees and the need for good agendas and the right group of dedicated members.

The City Council and the School Committee have a set of strong candidates from which to make their selection. I bring a particular set of strengths to the problem. To help you examine my qualifications I have attached a one-page resume of my past experience.

Sincerely yours