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November 26, 2024

Dear Lincoln School Committee,

I would like to respectfully submit my candidacy for the vacant seat on the School Committee that is to be held until March, 2025.

As a proud father of two children who are enrolled in the Lincoln School (K-4 & 5-8), it would be an honor to serve my community as a member of the School Committee.

Like many others when we were looking for a house to raise a family ten years ago, Lincoln stood out above other municipalities in large part because of its stellar educational reputation. Despite several learning challenges, my children are thriving in the classroom thanks to its dedicated full-time teachers and staff.

As a member, I would be not only an asset to the school committee but an ambassador of its robust Long Term Strategic Plan as well as its future Improvement Plans.

Leveraging my many years as a long time second level sales manager at a Fortune 25, I bring a combination of practical skills, such as effective communication and collaboration. My ability to listen to diverse perspectives, analyze challenges, and develop thoughtful solutions ensures that I can contribute meaningfully to the committee's goals.

Additionally, I grew up in a family of educators. Both of my parents are happily retired public high school teachers, many of my aunts are retired school librarians, and just this past Spring, I was a daily K-12 substitute in the Concord/Carlisle school district. This perspective refreshed my level of respect for teachers, administrators and paraprofessionals, as well as a better understanding of the challenges that they face each day.

I also honorably served my country in the U.S. Navy and am a Docent at the American Heritage Museum in Hudson, MA.

I am proud to call Lincoln home and believe in volunteerism. Over the years, I have led from the front with various organizations in town and believe that donating my time to the school committee will contribute to the well-being and growth of our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Travis Roland

