

COMMON SENSE;

ADDRESSED TO THE

INHABITANTS

OF

Granville Ohio,

Granville Neighbor,

We've lived in Granville more than a decade, are enthusiastic supporters of our school district and have voted FOR most levies in the past. However, on November 8th, we're voting AGAINST the school levy and here's why:

- #1. This levy is currently a temporary levy, but will be changed to a permanent levy. Some voters mistakenly believe a temporary levy is being renewed, but that is NOT the case. If passed, the School Income Tax will be permanent.
- #2. Members of the District's finance committee recommended AGAINST making this levy permanent. Going against the recommendation of advisers who are informed and knowledgeable as part of the school finance committee is not good stewardship of board responsibilities.
- #3. The school board acknowledged it does not have growth forecasts that take Intel into consideration. A temporary levy would allow the community to assess the impact of the Intel project and adjust accordingly in the future. The permanent levy proposed removes accountability *and* flexibility.
- #4. The Granville School district has already indicated that there will be a need for a building bond and new property tax, likely 2024 and 2026. It's imperative residents have their concerns heard, otherwise it will make it more difficult to pass future levies.
- #5. Inflation currently stands at 8%. Passing this levy permanently makes it more difficult for less affluent populations to afford to live in our community, inadvertently reducing diversity in our schools while they actively promote increasing diversity in our schools.

If the Levy is defeated November 8th, there will be NO immediate impact, because the current levy runs for another year. There's plenty of time for the Board to return to the drawing board and craft a plan that works short term *and* long term for our community. Thank you for taking the time to educate yourself on this very important issue, and no matter which way you decide to vote, please vote November 8th!

Sincerely,

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