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**Hon. Stephen A. Zappala, Jr.**  
**District Attorney of Allegheny County**  
**303 Courthouse/ Pittsburgh, PA 15219-2489**

**Dear District Attorney Zappala:**

The Black Political Empowerment Project (B-PEP) Planning Council at its regular monthly meeting of Thursday, May 11, 2017 expressed much concern about incidents which have taken place between the principal and police officers at the Woodland Hills High School and African American children. We are puzzled why charges have been filed against the students, but no charges against the Woodland Hills staff. We are very supportive of the request of Tina Doose, President of the Braddock Hills Borough Council and others who are requesting that charges be dropped against student Quechawn Wade, who we understand must have a third surgery on his mouth as a result of a beating by a police officer representing the Woodland Hills School District. We are also supportive of their request that you recuse yourself from this case and turn it over to PA Attorney General Josh Shapiro.

We look forward to your support of the request of the Black Political Empowerment Project and the request of the citizens of the Woodland Hills School District who are making this same request.

**Thank you for your consideration of our request.**

**Sincerely,**

**Tim Stevens, Chairman & CEO**  
**The Black Political Empowerment Project (B-PEP)**  
**cc: Ms. Tina Doose, President, Braddock Hills Borough Council**

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