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Dr. Keith Posley
5225 W. Vliet Street
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Dear Dr. Posley,

I have been at Andrew Douglas, serving in the capacity of principal for the last two years. There have been various changes that have occurred throughout this time. For the 2017-2018 school year, BEAM no longer occupied the space, and Douglas once again became apart of Milwaukee Public Schools. For the 2018-2019 school year, Douglas staff and students were co-located inside of Keefe Avenue during the renovation at Douglas. For the upcoming 2019-2020 school year, Andrew Douglas will reopen as the "state of the art" middle school in the 53206 zip code. One way to give our students, staff, and families the fresh new start that they deserve, we are requesting a name change. So that all stakeholders had an opportunity to give input, a survey was given to current Andrew Douglas parents, students, and staff in regards to the new, exciting building and school year. As we continue to regain some of the trust lost over the past two years, I would like to honor the choice that both families and students voted on.

On April 23rd a letter/survey was crafted and sent home with a ballot in our students' weekly Wednesday folder. The ballot included a space for parents to choose between three new names, Andrew S. Douglas Middle School, Andrew S. Douglas Academy, or Andrew Douglas Education Center. There was also a space for families to suggest a different name option.

The final results from the returned ballots from stakeholders were: Andrew S. Douglas Middle School – 32, Andrew S. Douglas Academy - 25, and Andrew S. Douglas Education Center – 5.

If you are in agreement of this name change, please change the name from Andrew S. Douglas to Andrew S. Douglas Middle School, and we ask that you please submit this to the MPS School Board for the June meeting. We ask that the name be reflected for the 2019-20 school year and in all MPS related data bases and records upon Board approval.

Thank you for your consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

Zerda Palmer
Principal

Ameshia Greer
SEC Chairperson

Cc: Dr. Katrice Cotton

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