Letter of Support

To:

Mr. David McTimoney

Superintendent

Anglophone West School District

New Brunswick

Re: Public Consultation on the future of the Florenceville-Bristol area schools.

Dear Mr. McTimoney,

As part of the 2019-20 sustainability study of the Carleton North schools being conducted by the District of Education Council, the Town of Florenceville-Bristol has requested that McCain Foods support the case for a new K-8 school located in Florenceville-Bristol.

Schools are at the centre of the social and cultural life of the rural communities. They serve as the venue for sporting events, theatre plays, arts, recreational and other civic activities that would not be possible otherwise.

Florenceville-Bristol is the birthplace of McCain Foods. Many our employees and their families live and work here. Our company is committed to keep Florenceville-Bristol relevant and thriving by maintaining quality jobs and creating new job positions, investing in housing and helping our employees and their families settle in this area as a long-term destination of choice.

If we are to reverse the decline in school enrollment and achieve sustainable socio-economic prosperity in Florenceville-Bristol, we need a state-of-the-art school facility.

When recruiting employees from outside our community, one of the first things they ask is the availability and proximity of a school and the quality of the education in the community.

Simply put, the future of Florenceville-Bristol requires a modern school with adequate space and facilities for high quality education, music, art, science, sports, technology and workshops, in order to attract additional business investment and increase employment opportunities.

Accordingly, we are happy to support the Town of Florenceville-Bristol in their effort to secure a new K-8 facility in Florenceville-Bristol. In fact, we wholeheartedly endorse the effort in our own right.

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