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Mayor Nick Fouraker
Belle Isle City Council
1600 Nela Avenue
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Dear Mayor Fouraker and Belle Isle City Council Members,

I would like to express my interest in being nominated to serve on the Cornerstone Charter Academy Board of Directors. This is a decision I've considered thoughtfully, recognizing the responsibility and dedication it entails.

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Blaine Worak. I've been married to my husband, Roger, for 17 years, and we have two boys, Indy (12) and River (8), both of whom attend Cornerstone Charter Academy, with Indy in middle school and River in lower school. Since moving to Belle Isle in 2015, we have owned two homes here. In my professional life, I am a founding employee and shareholder of Climate First Bank, where I currently hold the position of Director of Operations. In this role, I lead a team of 12 across two departments and manage a range of essential processes within the bank. I intend to use my skills in leadership, finance, and operations to make a positive impact at Cornerstone.

As a parent and long-time resident, I have a vested interest in ensuring that Cornerstone positively impacts Belle Isle. The school's commitment to a strong academic curriculum, safety of students and community involvement aligns perfectly with my values and vision. I believe it is essential to have a parent's perspective on the board, particularly as the school moves forward with significant development that will impact our children and the residents of Belle Isle.

I plan to bring my skills in business and finance, my love for the city, and the voice of a committed parent to every meeting and decision. I also aim to encourage greater parental involvement, helping families participate more fully in volunteer opportunities and keeping them engaged with important school announcements and board decisions. Additionally, I will ensure the City Council is kept up to date on relevant discussions and maintain open communication among the parents, the school, and the city, promoting collaboration that benefits all.

Thank you for considering my nomination. I look forward to contributing to the future success of Cornerstone Charter Academy and our community.

Sincerely,

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