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Assembly Members  
Petersburg Borough  
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RE: Early Childhood Education Task Force

Petersburg Borough Assembly Members,

Please except my letter of interest for the Early Childhood Education Task Force on behalf of Petersburg Medical Center. My name is Becky Turland and am interested in serving on the task force underneath my professional title of Community Wellness Specialist.

As many are aware, I've been working with the Early Childhood subgroup of the Petersburg's SHARE Coalition on this topic and am deeply embedded in the work that has already taken place to get to where we are now. Early Childhood Education is a community issue that has been around for a very long time but brought to light during the pandemic. I would like to continue this initiative with a larger group of people who can possibly take it further up the chain, to the state and federal level, while also addressing it locally.

Petersburg is a unique place that has its own unique challenges around Early Childhood Education, and we need to address these issues from multiple angles for the betterment of our children's, our community's, and our economic future here in Petersburg.

If elected to serve on this task force I will not only be coming with my professional hat on but also as a single parent who relied heavily on Early Childhood education, the President of Petersburg Little League, a Middle School Cheer Coach and as a Board Member for Devil's Thumb Shooters. As you can see, I'm heavily invested in the youth of our community and believe Early Childhood Education is the key to future success on multiple levels.

Sincerely,

Becky Turland, BBA  
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