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Dr. Stephen Green, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
Kansas City Public School District
1211 McGee Street, Suite 1009
Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Dr. Green,

On behalf of the Armour Hills Homes Association and its Board of Directors, please accept this letter of support for the effort to reopen Hale Cook School as a neighborhood school.

As an historic neighborhood of over 1100 homes in the Kansas City Public School District, Armour Hills represents a broad demographic of residents with strong ties to the community. These ties have long supported locally-based businesses, neighborhood parks, walking trails, and have maintained a sense of community in the face of urban sprawl and shopping mall developments. These very same ties stand ready to embrace and support neighborhood public schools to complete the community fabric for families of all backgrounds and faiths.

We support the continued effort to evaluate the enhanced quality of life and overall sense of value found in a complete neighborhood and how a walkable, bikable public school adds to that sense of value. The planned feasibility study is an excellent next step to quantify the need and illustrate the level of support for reopening Hale Cook.

The Armour Hills Homes Association supports the initiative to reopen Hale Cook Elementary as a neighborhood school and the commitment of the Friends of Hale Cook to the future of our neighborhood.

Kindest regards,

Tiffany Moore
Vice President
Armour Hills Homes Association