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Subject: ...open checkbook

Dear Councillor Morad,

I just read in the Standard-Times today that Pia Durkin wants an additional \$11 million dollars to fund the city's schools. As a taxpayer and property owner in the city, I am opposed to such reckless misuse of money. The money will not accomplish anything except possibly pad the payrolls of even more unnecessary administrators and staff to coddle and placate the ever-increasing numbers of hooligans posing as students. And just who the hell is this woman who thinks she can get a blank check from the city's taxpayers any time she wants one?

Pia Durkin is a political hack, an apparatchik, who's bought into the current educational nonsense that students are failing because of bad teachers and older XP computers that need to be updated to Windows 10 lest our poor, poor students lose faith and interest in education – or similar malarkey.

The REAL reason why students are failing in the city is because they are too busy throwing books at teachers instead of reading them. The "failure" problem has been created and instigated by 50 plus years of government policies aimed at reducing family life to an atomistic nightmare of scattered and isolated irresponsible individuals lacking in any knowledge of morality, civility, and discipline.

I urge you to reject any further increases in educational spending till REAL results in discipline and behavior are demonstrated. In fact, Durkin should be sacked immediately for her callous disregard of the safety of the good students and the teachers in the city. I am sick to DEATH of the way in which the political establishment in this nation, from the local up to the federal level, looks the other way and allows *brutes*, *criminals*, and hooligans to trample over every decent institution in this once great country.

Regards,

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