



# *City of New Bedford*

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### **Linda M. Morad**

*Councillor at Large*

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January 30, 2023

City of New Bedford  
Honorable Jonathan F. Mitchell  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

Re: DeValles School Building Committee

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

As you are aware Ward Six Councillor Ryan Pereira has been serving since last year as the City Council's representative on the DeValles School Building Committee. The Committee is moving into the site selection phase of the project where one of the parcels under consideration for the potential placement of the new school building may cause an appearance of a conflict of interest for Councillor Pereira. As we discussed to avoid this situation, I have requested that Councillor Shane Burgo join the DeValles School Building Committee representing the City Council for the site selection portion of the project.

I appreciate your recognition of my concern for Councillor Pereira and your agreement for the addition of Councillor Burgo to the DeValles Building Committee. Please advise the appropriate personnel in the School Department of this change.

Thank you for your consideration of this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Morad

City Council President and Councillor at Large

xc: Shane A. Burgo, Councillor at Large  
Ryan J. Pereira, Councillor Ward Six  
Christopher A. Cotter, 2023 School Committee Vice-Chair