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April 24, 2003

Members of the Nevada Senate Taxation Committee,

We, the undersigned teachers, support staff, parents and students, have a vested interest the public education system in Clark County and Nevada. We want you to take the leadership necessary to do what's right for public education. Now is the time for a legislative solution to this crisis. Ranking 46th in the nation in per pupil expenditure is not acceptable. Our children deserve better than "below average funding." ACT NOW in order to stabilize Nevada's tax base and increase revenue to fund K-12 education.

If Nevada's tax base isn't stabilized, it could mean the loss of such programs and positions as:

- > Art, Music, and P.E. specialists
- > School librarians
- > Elementary, middle school and high school counselors
- > Middle school and high school music programs
- > Reduced elementary class sizes
- > Gifted and Talented Education Program
- > High school busing
- > Campus hall monitors
- > School instructional supplies
- > Teacher training
- > School police
- > High school athletics

It could also mean:

- > Larger class sizes
- > Four day work week
- > Shorter school year

SAVE OUR SCHOOLS by doing what's right for public education in Nevada!

Ruben Murillo Vice President

SOS! SAVE OUR SCHOOLS! WE CAN'T WAIT!

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