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Dear Members of the Quaker Valley Community,

We were made aware of recent demonstrations outside of our school buildings and want to provide some clarity on this matter.

We acknowledge and respect the First Amendment rights of those who choose to express their opinions through peaceful demonstrations. However, we are dedicated to ensuring that our students' educational experience is as uninterrupted and secure as possible. Should demonstrations hinder this process, we ask that you contact your child's building principal.

Recent demonstrations outside our schools were not endorsed by the Quaker Valley School District nor the Quaker Valley Education Association. We understand that these gatherings have raised concerns within the community, and we want to assure you that both QVEA and the District were not involved in organizing or endorsing these events.

While the teachers' contract with the District expired on June 30, 2023, teachers are currently working under the provisions of their previous contract. We want to emphasize that contract negotiations between the Quaker Valley School District and the Quaker Valley Education Association are active and ongoing.

We will continue to work diligently to reach an agreement that maintains the high-quality education our community expects. We appreciate your understanding and patience during this period.

Thank you for your continued support of the Quaker Valley School District.

Respectfully,

Jonathan Kuzma President Quaker Valley School Board

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