

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Secretary/Treasurer Millard L. House, II Superintendent The Prince George's County Board of Education ("Board") wishes to address the recent inquiries concerning the tenure and resignation of a board member. In response to these inquiries, it may be helpful for the public to be aware of the measures that have been taken.

Consistent with our commitment to transparency, accountability, and integrity, the Board, following consultations with the Board's legal counsel and in coordination with the general counsel for Prince George's County Public Schools ("PGCPS"), has taken proactive steps to ensure this matter is thoroughly investigated in accordance with applicable Maryland State Laws.

To this end, a formal request for an investigation has been initiated with the Office of Integrity and Compliance and other appropriate agencies to examine the circumstances surrounding the board member's tenure and resignation. The Board is dedicated to upholding the highest standards of integrity and ethical conduct and will cooperate fully with the investigative process.

The Board remains committed to transparency, accountability, and integrity. However, as this issue is now under investigation, the Board will refrain from making any further public statements regarding this issue until the conclusion of the investigation.

We appreciate the public's understanding and patience as we work through this process and strive to uphold the trust placed in us by the scholars, parents, and communities we serve.

The Board's focus remains the work before us - the advancement, prioritization, equity, continued growth, and success of our scholars within Prince George's County public schools.

In service,

Lolita E. Walker, Chair

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