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**To:** Town Council Group; council@ledyard.org

**Subject:** Strong Endorsement for Proposed Budget, Especially Board of Education Increases

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## Dear Members of the Town Council,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed budget currently under consideration, particularly emphasizing the allocations for the Board of Education.

The requests for increases from the Board of Education are not only justified but essential for the continued growth and success of our schools. Specifically, this budget addresses critical needs for student support, including interventions in literacy and math, as well as the pressing mental health needs of our students. The unanimous support from the Ledyard Board of Education underscores the urgency and importance of these provisions.

Moreover, a well-funded education system benefits not only our students but also our entire community. Strong schools enhance property values, attract businesses, and contribute to the overall prosperity and vitality of our town. By prioritizing these increases, we are making a commitment to the future prosperity of our community.

I urge you to support the proposed budget, particularly the allocations for the Board of Education. These investments are vital for the continued growth and success of our schools, as well as the overall well-being of our community. Thank you for your dedication to serving our town, and for considering my input on this matter.

Sincerely, Christopher Jelden 3 Whalehead Drive, Gales Ferry Phone: 860 501 1548