





April 10, 2006

Commissioner Barry Jacobs PO Box 8181 Hillsborough, NC 27278

Mayor Kevin Foy 405 Martin Luther King Blvd. Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Mayor Mark Chilton 301 West Main Street Carrboro, NC 27510

Dear Commissioner Jacobs, Mayor Foy and Mayor Chilton:

I am writing at the direction of the Chapel Hill Carborro-City Schools Board of Education to provide you with information that our staff recently shared with us concerning the issuance of Certificates of Adequate Public Schools (CAPS) under the Schools Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (SAPFO). At present, we are able to issue CAPS to developers who request them. You will recall that all parties to SAPFO have waived the capacity requirements at the high school level as we complete Carrboro High, but that they are in place at the elementary and middle school levels.

Based on current student projections, it appears that we will reach capacity limits at the elementary level sometime during the 2007-2008 school year and will have to begin denying CAPS for developers. As this may trigger a development moratorium, we wished to provide you and your colleagues with this information well in advance of any such event.

The Board of Education is currently working with both Carrboro and the County Commissioners to move forward with Elementary #10 and has identified Twin Creeks as the site for that school. For a variety of reasons, it appears that the school will not open before August, 2008 and may not open until August, 2009.

It is our desire and belief that we will all continue to work together to meet school capacity needs while addressing community goals. We would be pleased to further address these matters with you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Stuckey