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Greenville County Council Members:

On behalf of the Greenville First Steps Board of Directors, I write to bring your attention to a recently enacted law which creates a new appointment under Greenville County Council's purview. On June 19, 2023, the First Steps Reauthorization Act (Act No 81) went into effect, upon Governor McMaster's signature.

A section of this law amended Section 59-152-60 of the SC Code, which outlines the structure of the Greenville First Steps local partnership Board of Directors. Previously, the Greenville County Library designated an employee to serve as a member of our local partnership board. We have appreciated having a Greenville Library system employee on our board since 2000.

The new law directs Greenville County Library System staff to recommend one employee of the system for appointment by Greenville County Council to serve as a member of the partnership board.

Greenville First Steps appreciates the continued support of County Council in our efforts to improve school readiness outcomes throughout Greenville County, and specifically our partnership with the Greenville Library System to work collaboratively to improve early literacy outcomes.

The recommendation from Greenville County Library System will be forthcoming. When County Council approves their appointment, we ask that you please notify us of that appointment so that we can welcome this person to our Board of Directors.

If you would like to learn more about Greenville First Steps, please visit www.GreenvilleFirstSteps.org or email me at derek@greenvillefirststeps.org

Thanks again for your continued support

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