

Chair of the House,

My name is Sashay Schettler, and I am a citizen of the MHA Nation and a resident of Bismarck. I also serve as the Bismarck Public Schools Indian Education Director. I am testifying in favor of House Concurrent Resolution No. 3022. I also support the BPS Indian Education Director's role in the work moving forward.

Students of color and students from historically marginalized communities should not have to endure racist remarks. According to the Philadelphia Urban ACE Study, one of five additional ACEs (or adverse childhood experiences) not included in the original study is experiencing racism. Addressing this as a community is an urgent need. As a community we need congruent and aligned actionable steps to take together, on which I urge our representatives to support.

Thank you for your consideration and feel free to contact me with questions.

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