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Honorable Members of the House Political Subdivision Committee

Subject: Urging a "Do Pass " Vote on SB2158

Chairman Langmuir and Members of the Committee

I write to you today with urgency in my request for you to Vote "Do Pass" on SB2158 which is scheduled for you to review on March 7, at 11:00 am.

After the devastating closure of our school in 2024 many of us in our community were wondering what was to become of our beautiful school building. I was employed at EPS for 20 years and I am a graduate from Edmore along with my husband, parents, children and we all care about what the building can provide now for the community! Many have said a senior center, a coffee shop, meeting rooms, an exercise center, pickle ball courts, a grocery store and an event center for special events! A place for all in the community or surrounding communities to spend time together!

The money would be used to pay the bills, and maintenance on the building to keep running for years to come.

Our town of Edmore is small and is mostly an agricultural town with many of the people who live in/around town do farm or have retired from farming. Everyone has a vested interest in keeping our town alive and a community center would do just that!

I respectfully urge you to stand with us and vote "Do Pass" on SB2158 and to allow the transfer of \$500,000. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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