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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write this letter of support for the Lakewood Board of Education's appointment of Michael Inzelbuch as Board Attorney. I have worked with Michael on a number of issues as both collaborator and adversary and have witnessed his unwavering commitment to all children. I expect that he will be a very positive addition to the Lakewood Public Schools and look forward to working with him on behalf of Lakewood's children.

Based on the aggregate cost currently paid by the Lakewood Public School District for legal services and Michael's comprehensive understanding of the Lakewood Community, challenges faced by its public schools and the positive relationships he has developed within the Office of Administrative Law, I find his proposal beneficial both economically and professionally. Unless expressly directed to do so by the Governor's Office or the acting Commissioner, I agree I will not intervene or attempt to override the below proposed conditions as follows:

- 1- No public relations firm -but an employee designated part time
- 2- Retainer -\$600,000 or \$50,000 per month for up to 1,715 hours of work.
- 3- Litigation. -\$350 /hour

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Azzara", written over a horizontal line.

Mike Azzara
Lead State Monitor

c. David Shafter, State Monitor