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Dear District Resident:

Several years ago New York State was in fiscal crisis. In order to balance their budget deficit and fill the gap between the expenses and revenues they had coming in, they decided to take the money they needed away from the school districts' state aid. This was called the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA).

Over the past few years, they have been slowly returning that money to the schools. Getting that money back will never make us completely whole, but it is crucial that we receive the remaining portion of the GEA back this budget season to avoid having to make serious program cuts.

At this time, there is a bill that has been authored and supported by both the Assembly and the Senate. Senator Valesky and Assemblyman Magee are part of the co-sponsors of these bills and are very much in support of the restoration of the remaining portion of the GEA for this year.

On our website (www.deruytercentral.org) are four letters specifically addressed to each of the two Assemblymen and two Senators who represent our school district. These are letters of gratitude for their support of the restoration of the GEA.

Your support in this area is greatly appreciated and with the restoration of the GEA, we will continue to be able to offer students of the DeRuyter Central School District a high quality instructional program filled with opportunities.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Walters
Superintendent of Schools

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