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To Whom It May Concern,

Throughout my career in law enforcement I have worked tirelessly to provide safety and security to the community that I serve. In more recent years, the need for improved school safety has continued to grow. While my own children are beyond their school years, my grandchildren are fortunate to attend Napoleon Community Schools which is also the community I currently serve.

When I learned about The Boot, I felt strongly that this was a product I wanted to see in all schools but most certainly in my Napoleon Community Schools. In spending more time with The LockOut Co. I learned about The SmartBoot System and how they work to provide the top notch safety system that allows for instant incident notification to the entire facility as well as to dispatch.

While many other products try to do what The SmartBoot System does in terms of keeping a perpetrator out of the classroom, I have yet to find another product that does this as effectively as The Boot nor have I been able to find any other product that couples this with the communication factor that is critical for those of us responding to an incident. I am proud to say that I have been working hand in hand with Superintendent Jim Graham of Napoleon Community Schools while we, together, ushered in this fantastic school safety program.

It is my wish to see other communities across Michigan be positively affected by The SmartBoot System, as Napoleon has been. As both a police chief and a grandfather, I am proud to let my loved ones and the loved ones of my community enter school each day feeling that much safer in knowing they have something strong in their facilities that not only keep the bad guys out, but allows those of us who respond to any incident to get there quickly and efficiently aid them.

Sincerely,

Duane Pittman, Chief of Police, Napoleon Township