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Carol Evans  
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Re: French Immersion Registration

Dear Carol:

Thank you for your letter to the Nanaimo Old City Association Board of Directors regarding registration for enrollment at Pauline Haarer School. We agree that the current system parents must navigate in attempting to enroll their children at this school is problematic.

We feel it is vital to the health of our community that a wide variety of age groups are able to live in the Old City area. The presence of young families ensures continuity in our neighbourhood. An important component that draws these young families is access to school in the community. We fully support the efforts you and the community members included in your letter are making to have Pauline Haarer School give precedence for enrollment to students living in the neighbourhood.

We join you in urging School District 68 to establish a catchment area for Pauline Haarer School that would grant preference to neighbourhood residents. This move has the added benefit of enhancing walkability to the school and reducing its carbon footprint.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the NOCA Board,

Dean Forsyth, President

Cc: School District 68 Trustees  
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