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To Whom it May Concern:

In February 2003, the voters within the Broadalbin-Perth Central School District approved a \$36,061,000 capital construction project. The project received State Education Department approval in May of 2004. Bids for eight prime contracts and project contingency were awarded on June 28, 2004. Following the district's ground-breaking ceremony during the summer of 2004, major construction (including new additions and extensive renovations) began and is expected to span throughout the 2005-06 school year.

The enormity of such a project, including SED preparation as well as construction supervision, certainly necessitated the expertise and support of the architectural teams. Appel Osborne, Landscape Architects located in Syracuse, New York, was instrumental in site recreations and new additions within the Broadalbin-Perth campus. Vast improvements were made to bus loops, student drop-off zones and parking areas for staff, students and visitors to the schools. Playscapes were designed and installed for the elementary schools. Many athletic fields were renovated including the installation a new artificial turf field with surrounding track and field events. Sidewalks, curbing and roadways were recreated to provide greater safety and accessibility. And in the near future, the planting of trees and other shrubbery will most certainly enhance and complete the beautification of the campus.

The Broadalbin-Perth School District is extremely pleased with the expertise as well as the time and effort that Appel Osborne has devoted to this project. Much appreciation is extended to Appel Osborne's landscape architect, Tim Bonaparte, who has and continues to support the district with on-site renovations. Mr. Bonaparte is not only extremely knowledgeable, but is willingly and readily available for countless discussions. It is with great pleasure and first-hand experience that the Broadalbin-Perth Central School District highly recommends the Landscape Architectural Firm of Appel Osborne for any future capital project endeavor.

Sincerely,

Sally A. Rojek

"Together we make a difference."