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Mr. Andy Neptune  
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Mr. Neptune,

Upshur County Schools was officially taken over by state board action on June 14, 2023. At that time, the county had been awarded a grant from the WVSBA for \$882,625.00 to support a project at Tennerton Elementary. The scope of this project also had a local contribution of \$880,787.00 to add two classrooms and a safe school entrance. Since this award, and due to the circumstances of takeover, the project has not started as originally planned for June of 2023.

There have been multiple discussions with the architects retained to support this project, Williamson Shriver, about moving forward. Those discussions have now reached a decision point. The costs have increased, and Upshur County is not in the position currently to contribute the original amount or cost increases due to the rise in construction materials. It was determined that our best course forward was to reach out to you to see what options were available.

I reached out via phone on Friday, February 2, 2024 and asked if there was the possibility of an extension to allow us to see if we can pass our Excess Levy in the May primary. We agreed that a letter formally asking for this extension until June 30, 2025 was in order and placed on the March Authorities agenda for approval.

Please allow this letter to serve as the formal request to place on the Authorities agenda. If further documents or support are needed, please let me know so they can be provided.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine Miller".

Christine Miller  
Superintendent