

December 15, 2009

The Honorable Tom Sawyer
Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse – Senate Building
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Senator Sawyer:

Today, I have been made aware that if no legislative action is taken on HB 318 by December 31, 2009, our district, **Tallmadge**, stands to lose \$759,690.23 in state basic aid for FY 2010 with a further reduction of \$ 1,136,755.47 in FY 2011, according to the Ohio Department of Education. This would mean a total of **\$1,896,445.70** will be lost by our district over the next eighteen months.

[Add any specific district information that you may feel appropriate here if you desire. You might include budget cuts that your district has already made and the staff reductions that will be needed.]

I believe that it is absolutely essential that you, as our state senator, ensure that legislation is passed to alleviate the \$851 million state budget deficit and prevent any loss in state aid to the school districts which you represent.

Respectfully