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Dear Phoenix Families,

On behalf of the Boards of Directors for Raleigh Charter High School and the Raleigh Charter High School Foundation, we are pleased to share some exciting financial news. We have once again reached our annual Phoenix Fund goal thanks to caring support from our current families, alumni and alumni parents, grandparents, and friends. Together our community has raised just over \$325,000 in support of our school's annual operating budget. We appreciate our community's generosity that allowed us to reach this goal once again this year!

In addition, we would like to thank you – our Phoenix families – for the thoughtful goodwill you have offered through the many ups and downs we have experienced together this year. Our teachers and staff have worked tirelessly to engage and educate our students. Our students have enthusiastically reclaimed and renewed many Raleigh Charter traditions. And our families have provided compassionate support throughout it all.

As we enter the final weeks of this academic year, we would like to reflect on two additional and important financial accomplishments:

- The dedication and efforts of our teachers and staff have ensured that our students have continued to learn and grow as we have adapted to the changes in our world. At the beginning of this school year, our fundraising success allowed us to give each faculty member a 5% raise their first significant raise in years! Then, in December, the Board of Directors was also able to approve a generous bonus to all faculty members.
- This spring we launched our Foundation Fund Campaign designed to pay off the mortgage on our building by summer 2024 while continuing to increase faculty compensation. (More specific information is available <a href="here.">here.</a>) We are pleased to announce that we are 22% of the way to our goal, and we look forward to updating you on our continuing progress in this endeavor!

These accomplishments have come about because of the outstanding support that we receive from our families, and gifts of every size and type make a true and lasting difference in what we are able to do as a school. We appreciate the many thoughtful and creative ways that families contribute, including securing matching gifts and choosing RCHS through workplace giving programs.

We realize, too, that financial support is just one element of our community's many contributions. From serving on committees, to donating meals, to volunteering at campus events, we appreciate the valuable time, talents, and resources our families share on our school's behalf.

Thank you for staying committed to and connected with this vibrant community as we work to secure the future of Raleigh Charter High School. **Because of you**, the future is bright.

With great appreciation,

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