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## COLORADO STATE SENATE

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I applaud the efforts of the Norwood community to improve the learning conditions and outcomes for students in the Norwood school district. It's a difficult time to ask constituents to contribute more to educational facilities, but the demands on school districts will just continue to grow. Please know that if the community comes together in support of the bond proposal and if I still have the honor of representing you at the Capitol, I will be championing your efforts to secure the bulk of the funding for these improvements through the Colorado Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) program. There are numerous examples of how rural communities have come together and with assistance from the BEST grant program have transformed their learning environments. I can say from experience, growing up and living in the San Luis Valley, what impact the local school has on the vibrancy of our rural communities. These rural schools are the foundation and the fabric of what makes living in rural Colorado so special. It would be an honor to help you all achieve similar results for your community, good luck with the proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cleave Simpson".

Cleave Simpson  
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