From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Dana Taylor Wasloski <danatwod@gmail.com> Sunday, June 18, 2017 10:07 PM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Ananta Hejeebu

Dear Council Members,

I have known Ananta Heejeboo for over 12 years as a friend, neighbor, and business colleague. As a neighbor and friend, he has always been positive, helpful, and interested in my family. His friendly smile and warm attitude are a welcome sight in the neighborhood. One or more of his kids are frequently with him, riding bikes, walking, or playing ball.

As a business colleague I continue to be impressed with his quick response to any situation and diplomatic manner in solving problems. His communication is accurate, concise, and positive as he is always looking for best solution for both parties involved.

His appointment to the school board is a brilliant one and he will be a real asset to all residents of the county, especially to the families who have a child with special needs. I strongly recommend Ananta Hejeebu to be appointed to the Howard County Board of Education, he will make a positive and lasting contribution to the students and families in Howard County.

Sincerely,

Dana Taylor Wasloski

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Lilian Alade <ltalade@msn.com> Saturday, June 17, 2017 6:50 AM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Recommendation of Ananta Hejeebu

Dear Sir/Madam,

I will like to recommend Mr. Hejeebu for membership on the Howard County Board of Education. Ananta, a long time resident of Howard County is a man of service and dedication to the community.

I have known Ananta and his family for over 3 years. Every interaction with Ananta has been engaging and welcoming at the same time. He cares about others and their opinions. He engages in a way that communicates a desire to listen. He respects other people's opinion and seeks to learn with each interaction. He shows compassion to others, advocates for his son with special needs and others who have similar needs as well.

I can see Ananta as nothing short of an asset to the board. As a result of his appointment to the board, he will only bring skills, resources, first line experience and knowledge in the area of special needs. The appointment will enable him to make a positive contribution to our kids and community.

I hereby highly recommend Mr. Ananta Hejeebu as a board member of the Howard County Board of Education.

Lilian Alade, PharmD Resident of Howard County

Sent from my iPhone



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Elizabeth Benevides Associate Director for Autism Programs, Hussman Foundation Co-Chair, Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities

Council Resolution 83 – 2017 Confirming the Appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County Board of Education June 15, 2017

Position: SUPPORT

The Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities supports CR. 83-2017, which would confirm the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County Board of Education.

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Mr. Hejeebu is an excellent advocate. He approaches his advocacy role for transitioning youth thoughtfully and carefully, seeking input from others when he has questions or concerns about a particular issue. He readily contributes to every discussion of the Commission and its employment subgroup, and is able to make his points firmly, but respectfully.

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Please support the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Benevides

From:	Elizabeth Benevides <ebenevides@hussmanfoundation.org></ebenevides@hussmanfoundation.org>
Sent:	Thursday, June 15, 2017 1:32 PM
То:	CouncilMail
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Testimony Submitted by Elizabeth Benevides Associate Director for Autism Programs, Hussman Foundation Co-Chair, Howard County Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Donna Hennessy <dhennessy@catacominc.com> Wednesday, June 14, 2017 11:20 AM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Ananta Hejeebu

Dear Howard County Council Members,

I am writing to express my support of the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County School Board. I have known Ananta for over 10 years. We first met when we formed an Advisory Board for the Howard County Salvation Army Service Center. I had the pleasure of working side by side a man who is one of the most honest, sincere, trustworthy, dedicated, devoted people I have ever met. Through the years I have learned so much from him. He is an intellectual, fair, level-headed individual. His decisions are based on facts, not emotion. He is a devoted family man, and particularly devoted to his son Samuel who has special needs. He has always been an advocate for Samuel. I believe he will make an excellent BOE member. He has an insight to the world of special needs children that he can bring to the school board.

I can't think of a better choice. Especially with the recent turmoil of our School Board.

Sincerely, Donna Hennessy

Donna Hennessy, Partner Catalyst Communications, Inc. – MBE Certified 8358 Main Street Ellicott City, MD 21043 p. 410-465-7507 f. 410-465-6759 c. 410-733-0705 See our portfolio–<u>www.catacominc.com</u>

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Kevin Slack <KSlack@bandscpas.com> Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:45 AM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Ananta Hejeebu - HoCo Board of Ed - support for Ananta

I am sending you this email to let you know that I support Ananta Hejeebu's appointment to serve on the Howard County Board of Education.

I have known Ananta for about 8 years. I met him through youth sports and found him to be a positive parent and coach. He is supportive of his child and all of the other children on the team.

I have continued my relationship with Ananta in the business world and have found him to be supportive and collaborative in every situation. He has great insight into issues and can work through them in a thoughtful manner.

It has been an honor and pleasure to know Ananta and I am sure he will be an asset to the Board of Education.

Thanks,

Kevin Slack



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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Chuck Bubeck <cbubeck@easetech.com> Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:04 AM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Ananta Hejeebu BOE Recommendation

Dear County Council Members,

I am writing to give my unqualified support for the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County Board of Education.

I have known Ananta for several years, both through our common careers in technology leadership, as well as a friend and mentor. His commitment to Howard County is in the forefront of everything he does, both professionally and personally. Virtually every non-profit and service-based organization in the county I know of has been touched by Ananta's presence. His company's business model has been shaped to service the community he lives in regardless of the business profitability potential. In many of our conversations the topic will invariably include a discussion of the education system we are lucky to be served by and his keen interest in raising the bar for that system.

Ananta considers it a privilege to live and work in the county and a duty to serve in some form to make it better. He demonstrates that daily in his business and in his spare time. More of our citizens could take note of Ananta's duel focus on merging business and social interests in a way that benefits the entire community.

Ananta's appointment to the Howard County Board of Education would benefit everyone in the county who cherishes and respects the high standard of education we expect and deserve.

Best Regards,

Chuck Bubeck

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Mark Spence <wmspence@comcast.net> Tuesday, June 13, 2017 1:30 PM CouncilMail Kittleman, Allan Ananta Hejeebu

Dear Council Members,

I am excited for Howard County to have Ananta Hejeebu as a part of the Board of Education. I have known Ananta for over 20 years and witnessed his positive influence on a personal level with me and my family as well as in the business community, youth sports, church as well as various charities.

I fully trust that he will have a positive impact in this position and serve as a great asset in serving Howard County.

Respectfully,

Mark Spence

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