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May 12, 2025

The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy Jr.  
Secretary of the Dept. of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Ave. SW  
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Kennedy,

I am writing to you today to thank you for your bold leadership in your efforts to Make America Healthy again and ask for your help in uncovering the root causes in the concerning number of cancer diagnoses amongst staff and students at Warren Hills Elementary School in Liberty, Missouri.

Since 2013, at least six staff members at Warren Hill Elementary have developed breast cancer, with another unexpectedly passing after a short battle liver cancer last fall. That's an unbelievable and unimaginable amount of tragedy for an elementary school with fewer than 650 students and 40 teachers to experience over such a short time.

While the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services conducted a radon testing study that found no issues of concerns at Warren Hills in 2015<sup>1</sup> and the Clay County Public Health Center conducted a public health study in the fall of 2022 that concluded there is no evidence to suggest the breast cancer rate at Warren Hills was any higher than expected,<sup>2</sup> many parents, teachers, and staff members have concerns that these analyses were not sufficient and thorough enough to explain the large number of cancer diagnoses at the school.

This is why I'm asking for your help getting to the bottom of this. The teachers, parents, and staff at Warren Hills Elementary School need some answers as to why so many of their friends, colleagues, and loved ones are being diagnosed with cancer—or at least the peace of mind of knowing that a truly thorough and independent study has looked into all the possible factors that could be causing this.

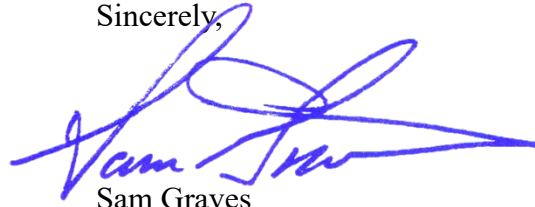
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<sup>1</sup> Letter from Sharon Odom, Chief, Health Indoor Environments Unit, MO Dep't of Health and Senior Services to Dr. Jeremy Tucker, Superintendent, Liberty School District, (Dec. 3, 2015), *available at* <https://wh.lps53.org/resources>

<sup>2</sup> Report, Clay County Public Health Center, *Initial Report of Cancer Cluster Inquiry – Warren Hills Elementary School*, (Oct. 14, 2022), *available at* <https://wh.lps53.org/resources>

I firmly believe that you and your agency are the best hope we have at getting to the bottom of this and getting these folks the answers they need. Thank you for your time and consideration of this urgent request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sam Graves", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sam Graves  
Member of Congress