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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On May 26th the town council voted 4-2 to reduce the proposed school budget by 100,000 dollars. This reduction would eliminate a proposed expansion of the IT department, with no further discussion.

Following the meeting, the school committee sought options to reallocate these funds rather than reduce the budget. Considering the recent and tragic events in Uvalde, Texas the school committee determined that a **District Resource Officer** was warranted and frankly long overdue.

On June 7<sup>th</sup> the Hermon School Committee voted to reallocate 100,000 from our proposed budget to fund a District Resource Officer. I will be taking the next few weeks to meet with the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department, and Penobscot County officials to discuss recruitment, training, and managerial structure of this new proposed position.

On June 16<sup>th</sup> Hermon residents will have the opportunity to approve the proposed school budget at the open town meeting. The school committee budget of \$17,616,987.57 would fund the district resource officer position. The reduced town council budget would not.

We strongly encourage all Hermon residents to come out and vote on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

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