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DENIA REESE, Superintendent of Schools

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Superintendent Denia Reese commented, "It is part of my process of conducting business to document most telephone complaints, especially those that need to be reviewed by the school system's attorney. Mrs. Donna Jackson called me on September 23, 2009, and made the accusation that the school system was breaking the law and that it needed to be stopped. This is well documented in our correspondence."

On September 29, 2009, after the telephone conversation, Mrs. Jackson filed an open records request for financial documentation for the purchase of the supplies used to make the banners. The system sought legal advice which confirmed that the practice of the cheerleaders' use of banners was in violation of the current state of the law as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court and the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Documentation is attached.