

December 2, 2024

Hon. Tyisha Walker-Myers President, Board of Alders City of New Haven 165 Church St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New Haven, CT 06510

Re. Request for Approval to Accept Donations for the Menstrual Product Equity Project

I respectfully submit the enclosed request the approval of the Board of Alders for the acceptance of a generous donation from the Diaper Bank of Connecticut and Amazon, consisting of menstrual products to assist the district in complying with the Connecticut General Assembly passed updated legislation requiring public schools to supply a range of menstrual products in school restrooms.

Amazon has agreed to donate menstrual products to Nathan Hale School on a monthly basis to the school a value of \$60,000.00. The Diaper Bank of Connecticut donation is valued at an estimated \$450,000.00, provides essential support to meet this underfunded mandate. The Diaper Bank of Connecticut has generously agreed to supply menstrual products quarterly for the next two years, ensuring that all students have equitable access to these critical hygiene items.

In addition, Board of Education approval which was received on November 12, 2024, the agreement for donations must also be approved by the Board of Alders for acceptance of goods. Upon your approval, we request for consideration to the Board of Alders to finalize this process.

This donation represents a vital step toward supporting student well-being and educational equity by:

- Addressing the unmet need for menstrual products in schools without additional financial burden to the district.
- Ensuring compliance with state law through a sustainable partnership(s) over the next two years.
- Promoting a supportive learning environment by removing barriers caused by lack of access to hygiene products.

We appreciate the Amazon and the Diaper Bank of Connecticut support and their alignment with our mission for our schools. I respectfully request the Board of Alders review this donation and authorize the submission for final approval.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this initiative. Should you have any questions or require additional details, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

Mike Carter

NHPS Operations Dept.

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