October 23, 2023

Dr. Marty Pollio JCPS Board Members 3332 Newburg Road Louisville, KY 40218

RE: Lassiter's Rochelle E Brown Youth Services Center

Dear Dr. Pollio and Members of the Board:

For the past three years I have been blessed beyond measure to work with an amazing group of individuals; I have loudly, proudly, and frequently said that Lassiter is a true family. This year, my son joined the Lassiter family as a 6th grade student, and I happily volunteered to serve on the Parent Advisory Council. It is with immense pleasure that I write to you, as both an employee and a parent, in support of renaming the Youth Service Center at Lassiter to "Lassiter's Rochelle E. Brown Youth Services Center."

Mrs. Rochelle Brown was a beloved member of our community and a loss that was felt by everyone in our building - staff, students, and parents alike. Mrs. Brown was the kind of teacher I aspire to be. Knowledgeable in her content, of course, but more importantly, Mrs. Brown cared deeply for all students at Lassiter. She cared for those she didn't even know, those who had left her classroom years ago, and those who had yet to enter her classroom. Mrs. Brown was constantly trying to help students by providing for their needs as often as she could. At times she would even buy snacks and meals for students and place them in their lockers so they would not be embarrassed in front of their peers. In short (because I could go on forever about Mrs. Brown's acts of kindness and service) she cared and made sure the students were taken care of and knew they were loved.

In my opinion there is no one more deserving of this honor than Mrs. Rochelle Brown.

Respectfully,

Emily E Springer 6th Grade ELA

Yale Team Lead

Lassiter Middle School

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To the Jefferson County Board of Education,

Lassiter Middle School requests to change the name of the YSC officially to "Lassiter's Rochelle E Brown Youth Services Center".

We have decided to honor her in this way because she always helped every student above and beyond what was expected of her. She served on the YSC board for years and was an essential part of many of the programs we have had at Lassiter. She would even buy students' snacks or meals for the weekend and put it in their lockers without anyone knowing. She knew her students and loved them like her own.

This has been discussed and approved by our SBDM council.

Sincerely,

Maureen Shugars

SBDM Teacher representative

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