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## Members of the Colorado State Board of Education:

The purpose of this letter is to endorse the proposal being submitted by Evans International Elementary School to be considered an "Innovation School" under the Innovation Schools Act of 2008. We have been working closely with Evans Principal, Dustin Horras, and our organization is fully committed to the innovations being implemented at the school; we believe in the vision and we believe in the dedicated professionals advancing it on behalf of Evans' students.

Implementing creative, efficient, student-focused, research-based methods of meeting the needs of students has been an integral part of Evans' professional culture. Designating Evans International as an innovation school will enable this groundbreaking work to flourish and to serve as a model for others.

Falcon School District 49 fully endorses the school's proposal and look forward to supporting the work to ensure that Evans' students are successful while they are in K-12 school, in college, and in all other aspects of their lives.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tammy Harold

Falcon School District 49

President-Board of Education