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Mr. James Nevels, Chairman  
School Reform Commission  
The School District of Philadelphia  
21<sup>st</sup> & Benjamin Franklin Parkway  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

RE: Support of Door to Life Charter School

Dear Mr. Nevels:

I am writing to support the proposed Door to Life Charter School in my legislative district located in the Somerton section of Northeast Philadelphia.

The founding Board members of the Charter are experienced advocates who have demonstrated an expertise in dealing with at-risk high school youth through their involvement and operation of the Delaware Valley High School (DVHS) at 13550 Bustleton Avenue, Philadelphia. Irwin Greenblatt, Ryan Greenblatt and David T. Shulick, Esq have a stellar reputation in our community and under their leadership have served thousands of at-risk youth and their families over DVHS thirty-three year history.

I look forward to working with the Door to Life Charter School and its Board of Directors in assisting at-risk youth reaching their educational potential, which benefits our entire community.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

George Kenney, Chairman  
Health & Human Services Committee  
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cc: Paul Vallas, CEO

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