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# PRESS RELEASE

## Mayor Jon Mitchell Statement Following Withdrawal of Innovators Charter School Proposal

**New Bedford, Massachusetts** — Mayor Jon Mitchell released the following statement after today's withdrawal of the Innovators Charter School proposal from state consideration.

**"We're pleased that the Innovators Charter School withdrew its application, as we believed that the diversion of funds from our school district would have undermined the district's progress. I wish to thank Fall River Mayor Paul Coogan, state and municipal leaders, educators, parents, and community members for making their voices heard in the process. We remain committed to improving educational opportunity for all children in the region, and we believe that can best be accomplished when we work together."**

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