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Agency: TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM TEXAS

First Name: Nancy

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Title: Librarian (Retired)

Organization you are affiliated with: Springtown ISD

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I wholeheartedly support the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and do not want it dissolved. This agency is solvent and well managed. Texas teachers enter a profession that they understand will not be a means to financial wealth. Our reward is instead in the success of our students. In most districts, unless you enter administration, you will not have a lot extra at the end of the month to put into a retirement fund. TRS is it. We, who work on the frontline with students, choose our profession carefully with eyes wide open knowing we will not be well-off at the end of our careers. The one thing we can count on after a dedicated life in education is the promise of our TRS annuity in our golden years. Dissolving this agency would be dissolving the one agency that has educators as its priority. I stand by keeping the Teacher Retirement System of Texas as is and not dissolving or rolling it into another agency.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I have no recommendations for improvements and I especially appreciate the way TRS keeps its members informed.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree