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Dear Little Silver Community Members,

We are writing to follow up on our March 30 letter regarding the Board of Education's recent decision to transition the district's health benefits from Horizon to AmeriHealth. At that time, we outlined the significant challenges that led to this decision and acknowledged the concern and frustration it created for many within our community. Our priority remains to balance fiscal responsibility with the well-being of our staff while maintaining the high standards our district is known for.

Today, we are pleased to share a positive and unexpected development. Earlier this week, the district received a conditional offer to join the NJSolutions Joint Insurance Fund—a state-approved program co-founded by the Borough of Little Silver in 2024. While the district had not previously qualified, Little Silver Schools will now become the first district of its kind to be accepted. This milestone reflects strong collaboration, persistence, and a shared commitment to finding the best possible solution.

By joining the fund, district staff and teachers will retain access to their current Horizon provider network with no changes to their benefit plan designs. The district will experience the same 9.11% increase that had been proposed under the AmeriHealth plan, preserving continuity in coverage while maintaining financial stability for the district.

We would like to recognize and thank Business Administrator Caryn Anderson and Superintendent Eric Platt for their dedicated leadership throughout this process. Their thoughtful, diligent work—alongside our trusted professional partners—ensured that every option was thoroughly explored in pursuit of the best outcome for our staff and community.

We also extend our sincere gratitude to the Borough of Little Silver for its advocacy and partnership in making this opportunity possible. Their support was instrumental in achieving this outcome.

We understand that this has been a complex and evolving situation, and we sincerely appreciate your patience and continued support. We are proud to share this positive resolution and remain committed to clear, transparent communication moving forward.

Sincerely,
The Board of Education

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