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Greetings,

My name is Phil Teeuwsen, Assistant Professor of Education at Redeemer University College. We were in touch over a year ago in regards to a Gifted Outreach Conference my teacher-candidates ran for Gifted Students in the Hamilton Public and Separate school boards. If you recall, these Grade 7 and 8 students pitched their ideas on local issues and the winning presentation presented their ideas to the General Issues Committee. I believe the issue at the time was urban chickens. This was a great success.

This year, we are planning a similar event, a conference with a focus on local issues. We would value the opportunity to once again have a group present their work to the GIC. Our conference is planned for the middle of December, but the presentation at City Hall would not have to take place until sometime early in 2015. I realize things will be in transition, but if I could get some commitment in terms of getting my students on an agenda at a meeting, that would be great.

I look forward to working with you.

Phil Teeuwsen