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Dear Horizon School Division Parents and Caregivers,

It is with the deepest sadness that we mourn the loss of lives following Friday's horrific accident. Our thoughts and prayers are with the parents/caregivers, families, friends, teammates, classmates, billets, coaches, teachers, staff, fans, communities and countless others who have been impacted by this tragedy involving the Humboldt Broncos. Though our hearts are broken in the aftermath of this immense loss, I know that we will come together to offer each other strength and support in this extremely difficult time.

As a school division, Horizon is doing everything we can to support our students, staff and communities through this tragedy. A team of professionals has been mobilized across a number of Horizon schools to support the needs of grieving students and staff. These professionals include counselors and other trained members of the Horizon Traumatic Events Response Team. In the coming days, we will be working to determine how best to support students and staff as we navigate these unthinkable circumstances. We are also encouraging anyone who feels the need for further support to make contact with health services and professionals in their area. Please contact your school principal with any questions, or for assistance connecting with these services.

I want to commend our first responders, emergency workers and medical professionals for their work in response to this terrible event. I also want to thank everyone who has sent messages of condolence and support from across Saskatchewan, Canada, and the world. I know that we will all keep the families and friends of those impacted by this tragedy in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kevin C. Garinger', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kevin C. Garinger
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