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**GREETINGS:**

**It is with pleasure and great pride that I congratulate the administration, faculty, and students of Pittsburgh Schaeffer Elementary School on your success with the Whale Done! Program.**

**Today's students will shape the future of our economy and our society. It is imperative that these students receive a quality education to ensure them a promising start in life. The dedication of highly talented teachers, the support of the community, and the determination, drive, and hard work of students are the ingredients for a successful educational environment. Pittsburgh Schaeffer Elementary School clearly possesses all of those qualities.**

**I am honored to offer my support and encouragement to the administration, and faculty at Pittsburgh Schaeffer Elementary School as you continue your admirable work of inspiring our young people to adopt a passion for learning and set high goals for academic and personal success. I encourage all students to learn all they can about the world around them through reading, exploring, and getting involved in the community. The years you spend in school will be some of the greatest years of your life. You are not only learning more about the world around you, but you are also learning about your classmates who are joining you on this journey of education. The friendships you make, the experiences you have, and the lessons you learn will build an understanding of your world, others, and yourself, which will pave the road to your future.**

**As Governor and on behalf of all Pennsylvanians, I commend Pittsburgh Schaeffer Elementary School on your extraordinary success with the Whale Done! Program. Congratulations on the positive changes you have made to yourselves and to your school, and best wishes for continued success.**



*Edward G. Rendell*

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