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Parkrose School District 10636 N.E. Prescott Portland, OR 97220

To the Parkrose Administration and School Board:

I am writing this letter to inform you that I will be retiring from my teaching career with the Parkrose School District at the end of this school year. My official date of retirement is July 1, 2009.

Parkrose has always been my home. My years in Parkrose actually began when I was in first grade at Sumner Elementary School. I graduated from Parkrose High School in 1967. I was originally hired by the district in 1973. As I raised my children, my career journey with Parkrose was on and off. I am fortunate to have spent most of my career at Sumner and Prescott, both schools that I myself attended as a child.

My decision to retire is bittersweet. I will always treasure my relationships with staff, students, and parents. I sincerely appreciate how this school district has made my career so enjoyable and memorable.

Sincerely,

Mary Brown