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Dear Board,

I am dismayed at the thought that you might consider digital communications such as emails, texts and posts as "temporary communications" that need not be available as public records. In our digital age, the number of communications made in digital form will continue to grow exponentially. As members of the public, we have a right to have such communications preserved so that we may discern, not only the substance of meetings, but the procedures used to decide what gets added or subtracted from agenda. Just because a communication is brief or digital does not make it any the less important. Such "temporary communications" must be preserved for future reference. I implore you not to do this. To do so would be tantamount to undermining the public's right to know how their elected officials are representing their interests.

Please reconsider.

Thank you,

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