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Dear East Islip,

First, I would like to congratulate Mr. Paul Manzo as he assumes the role of Superintendent on Monday. I know you will embrace him with the patience, kindness and love you showed me. With your support, Mr. Manzo and his team, will lead East Islip to greater heights.

It's not the jobs we do, it's the relationships we build along the way, that matter most. EI Pride's term was coined by the beloved high school principal, Dr. Clyde Payne. To me, EI Pride is a simple concept. Wake up every day, tie your shoes tight, put a smile on your face, do an honest day's work and do your best to make the world around you a better place.

In the end, we are not judged by our accomplishments, but what we helped others accomplish. To every single member of the EI community, from the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank you for allowing me to feel accepted as part of the East Islip family. I thank the doubters, the naysayers and those who said it could never be done, because you draw strength and inspiration from their opponents. To our supporters, I thank you for your encouragement, positive energy, support, kindness, and belief in the dreams we had for East Islip. We all learned from the movie, "Monster Inc.", that love, laughter, and yes, a few tears, are what gives us the energy for success and water the beautiful flowers that become our memories. All of you who I've met along the way have made me better. It's your love and positive energy that has truly made serving as your Superintendent the most humbling and rewarding gift of my career. To our students, a special thanks knowing that our future is full of hope and endless possibilities thanks to your many talents and your willingness to help others.

My wish for all of you is that you always have the feeling of joy and love that you have given to me.

So, one last time....

Thank you for allowing me to live my dream with you.
This is John V. Dolan saying Good Night East Islip
I love you today, tomorrow and forever.

Sincerely,

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