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Statement on the 2016 Election Results By Michael Casserly, Executive Director Council of the Great City Schools

WASHINGTON – The Council of the Great City Schools has received a number of calls today from the press asking about last night's extraordinary election results and its effects on our work. I have indicated to them that the elections do not change our direction, priorities, mission, or values. They do not modify what we are working toward—improved education for all our students--or alter what we believe or how we do our work. There may be times over the next several years when we play more legislative and policy defense than I would like, but the focus of the organization remains firmly on our students and improving their lives. The Council remains true to high standards, greater equity, and the resources to pay for both. We will be pleased to work with the new administration on areas of mutual concern, but we continue to be resolute in our mission and committed to our charge.

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