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Dear Gilbert Stuart Families,

My name is Luis Fernandez I am reaching out to you to officially introduce myself as the new principal at Gilbert Stuart.

I am very proud to become part of Gilbert Stuart's community. I cannot wait to meet everyone. Also, I am very proud to serve our students and families in our community. I already learned from my administration team that we have a strong learning community. Our administration team is also very excited to start our new 2022-2023 school year.

Here is a little about my educational career. I am a product of the NYC Public School system. I moved to the Bronx, NY from Lima, Peru when I was 13 years old. I obtained my bachelor's degree from SUNY Oswego and completed my master's in education from the New York University (NYU) in NYC. Then, I became a NYC public school teacher for 10 years as an ELS/Bilingual Literacy teacher.

My family moved to the Providence area in the fall of 2015. I started my teaching career in Providence at Nathanael Greene MS. After a couple of years of teaching there, I embarked on my school leadership journey at CLEE (Center of Leadership & Educational Equity) and became an assistant principal for two years at Nathanael Greene. Last year, I was one of the assistant principals at DelSesto MS.

Here is a little about me personally. I am married to a native Rhode Islander, Kimberly. She is the Executive Director of Federal Hill House in Providence. I have two sons, Victor and Owen, who are starting second grade and kindergarten respectively. We also added a new member to our family, King, last fall. King is a "giant" poodle who loves to run and chew toys. I am a former soccer player and I enjoy the beach, golf, food, and traveling.

I have great hopes to make our learning community even stronger and provide the best learning opportunities for each our our students every day. I know this can happen when every member of our learning community collaborates; together we are stronger. The administration will be there to support the needs of teachers, staff, and students and families. Once again, I am delighted to be part of the Gilbert Stuart community.

I am looking forward to meeting all of you and our students, and please feel free to contact me or the administration team if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Luis Fernandez