Superintendent resigns following controversy, threats

(KAIR)--Threats stemming from a controversial rebranding plan for the Jefferson West Public Schools of USD 340 are followed by the resignation of the district's superintendent.

That's according to a report from <u>WIBW-TV</u>, with the television station reporting that Superintendent Jason Crawford "submitted a voluntary letter of resignation during Tuesday- board meeting."

Crawford, the TV station reports, says threats were aimed at him and his family regarding the school district rebranding, including a mascot redesign, with the resignation letter submitted "to ensure the focus this school year remains on the students." The board Tuesday made a motion to accept his resignation, pending legal review.

WIBW reports the resignation can be withdrawn in seven days, meaning it is not yet official. A written response from Crawford is due to the board clerk by Tuesday.

Crawford, selected as superintendent in 2022 began his duties in July of last year.

The school district, in recent months, has experienced controversy over the rebranding process, which opponents say lacked transparency.

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