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To include your comments as part of the Public Comments agenda item at weekly Special Called School Board Meetings, enter your comments here:	Alexandria School Board: While I applaud taking steps to begin considering a rename of TC Williams High School, I believe that it is well past time to merely consider. The name must be changed. I am urging you to amend the motion being considered on July 10 to include the following language to DEFINITIVELY and AFFIRMATIVELY commit to removing the name T.C. Williams from our high school by no later than Dec 31, 2020. Please vote to amend the motion in the following manner: INSERT: "I FURTHER MOVE, that as of December 31, 2020, T.C. Williams will no longer be the name of Alexandria's high school. As such, T.C. Williams shall not be considered as a name for the high school during the public engagement process outlined in Section 1, Regulation FF–R, nor shall it be included in the Superintendent's recommendations." Also, strike "in the spring of 2021" and insert "no later than December 31, 2020." Also, strike "to examine a name change for" and add "to change the name of." The global pandemic is earth shattering, and a process needs to be implemented to teach the children next year. This decision will be made prior to September, therefore why push renaming TC out almost 1 full year?? Be on the right side of history, make this alumni and the city proud of our school once again. Vote to change the name NOW