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The Honorable Phil Scott Governor of Vermont 109 State Street, Pavilion Montpelier, VT 05609

Dear Governor Scott

For twenty-five years it has been my privilege to serve as a prosecutor in Windham County. As the years have passed, I have seen lots of changes in our criminal justice system, and many of them have not, in my opinion, been for the better. But I have always been very proud of the work I have done to increase offender accountability, to lessen the trauma and suffering of those impacted by crime, and to collaborate with every entity involved in this system -- all in the name of increasing community safety here in Windham.

Thank you for your support of our Department and your willingness to speak out against legislation that diminishes public safety and the rights of victims. I am also grateful for the working relationship our Department has with your office, and I am especially thankful for the excellent communication and collaboration we have had with your counsel, Jaye Johnson, throughout the years. Knowing that you support and understand the difficult job of a county prosecutor has made all of the burdens on us a little easier to shoulder.

I have had the good fortune to work with some exceptional attorneys committed to public service, and they are consistently and constantly being asked to do more with less. I hope that Vermont can attract and retain such devoted people to serve as prosecutors in the future. Vermonters benefit daily from the tireless hard work and overwhelming dedication demonstrated by their county prosecutors.

I am writing to let you know that, effective July 28, 2024, I am retiring from the position of Windham County State's Attorney.

It has been my honor to have served my county and my State for so many years.

With appreciation and gratitude,

Tracy Kelly Shriver

Windham County State's Attorney

cc: John Campbell, SAS Executive Director