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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Rebecca D. Ricard, as an Attorney (Position 9U041, Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132), from a salary level of \$61,500 to a salary level of \$62,500 retroactive to July 1, 2019 upon Governor and Executive Council approval.

EXPLANATION

In accordance with the 2001 N.H. Laws Chapter 158, Section 101, and 2018 N.H. Laws Chapter 162, Section 14, this request seeks your approval to grant a salary increase for Attorney, Rebecca D. Ricard. This item is **retroactive** because funds in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 biennium budget were not available to submit this request prior to August 30, 2019.

Ms. Ricard lives in Concord. She received her law degree from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2016. Ms. Ricard performed research for the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Clinic at Vermont Law School from August 2015 through December 2015. She was a law intern at the Department of Justice from August 2016 through December 2016. Ms. Ricard was an Associate Attorney at Schuster, Buttrey & Wing, P.A, in Lebanon, New Hampshire from 2016 through 2018. She joined the Department of Justice as an attorney in the Civil Bureau in December 2018. Ms. Ricard's salary will increase by \$1,000, from \$61,500 to \$62,500. I will continue her assignment in the Civil Bureau.

RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General,

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subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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