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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 Takhmina Rakhmatova, as an Attorney (Position #9U216, Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-26200000-013-500132), from a salary level of \$62,000 to a salary level of \$63,000 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 Takhmina Rakhmatova. This item is **retroactive** because funds in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 biennium budget were not available to submit this request prior to July 1, 2019.

Ms. Rakhmatova lives in Chelsea, Massachusetts and is a member of the New Hampshire Bar. She received her law degree from Suffolk University Law School in 2018. Ms. Rakhmatova was a Suffolk University Law School research assistant and judicial intern in 2016 and a student attorney from 2017 through 2018. She was a Legal Administrative Assistant at Lathrop Gage, LLP, in Boston, Massachusetts, from 2016 through 2018. Ms. Rakhmatova was an Appellate Court Attorney for the State of New York Supreme Court from 2018 through 2019. She joined the Department of Justice in 2019 as an attorney in the Civil Bureau. Ms. Rakhmatova's salary will increase by \$1,000, from \$62,000 to \$63,000. 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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Attorney General

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