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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu And the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 94:3, the Department of Labor requests approval for an annual salary increment for the Commissioner of Labor, Ken Merrifield, Position #9U075, in the amount of \$5,871.84, from the current salary of \$118,707.68 annually, to a new annual salary of \$124,579.52, effective upon the approval of the Governor and Council or May 12, 2019, whichever is later. Funding is 100% Agency Income.

EXPLANATION

RSA 94:3 "Yearly Service Increases," states in part: "upon recommendation of the appointing authority, the holder of any position mentioned in RSA 94:1-a shall be entitled to an annual increase in salary amounting to 1/5 of the difference between the minimum and maximum salary for said position but in no case shall the total salary exceed the maximum as herein established."

Commissioner Merrifield officially assumed his position on May 12, 2017. He is currently at Step 6 of Labor Grade II. The Department respectfully requests approval of this increment.

Sincerely,

Rudolph W. Ogden, III Deputy Commissioner Department of Labor

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