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November 15, 2019

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 Nicholas Chong Yen, as an Assistant Attorney General (Position #9U052, Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132), from a salary level of \$64,500 to a salary level of \$80,000 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 Assistant Attorney General Nicholas Chong Yen. 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.

Mr. Chong Yen is a resident of Concord. He received his law degree from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2016. Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Mr. Chong Yen was an Assistant County Attorney at the Grafton County Attorney's Office from 2016 through 2018. He joined the Department of Justice in August 2018 as an attorney in the Criminal Justice Bureau and was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General on March 15, 2019, where I designated him to lead the Election Law Unit. Mr. Chong Yen's salary will increase by \$15,500, from \$64,500 to \$80,000. I will continue his assignment as the lead of the Election Law Unit.

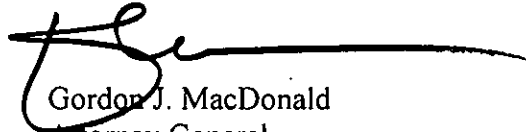
RSA 94:1-a(1)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General,

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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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