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December 19, 2019

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

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

GORDON J. MACDONALD ATTORNEY GENERAL

## REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Jennifer Ramsey, as an Attorney (Position 9U375, Appropriation #02-20-201010-2620-013-500132), from a salary level of \$83,000 to a salary level of \$84,000 retroactive to September 13, 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 Jennifer Ramsey. This item is **retroactive** because funds in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 biennium budget were not available to submit this request prior to September 13, 2019.

Ms. Ramsey lives in Kensington. She received her law degree from the University of Texas School of Law in 1991. She served as an associate and a partner at Minton, Burton, Foster & Collins, P.C. in Austin, Texas from 1991 through 2002. Ms. Ramsey worked at the firm of Cantey & Hangar, L.L.P. as a partner from 2002 through 2006. In 2006, she co-founded Foster Ramsey, P.C. where she worked until 2018 when she relocated to New Hampshire. She was a solo practitioner at the Law Office of Jennifer Ramsey in Exeter, New Hampshire from 2018 through 2019 and then joined sklawyers, pllc in February 2019. Ms. Ramsey joined the Department of Justice in September 2019 as an attorney in the Civil Bureau. Her salary will increase by \$1,000, from \$83,000 to \$84,000. 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,

Gordon J. MacDonald Attorney General

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