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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Brad B. Moskowitz, and I am a resident of Waterbury Center. I moved to Vermont in August of 1999, to work at Johnson State College, where I was hired as an Assistant Professor to teach in a unique degree program called "Outdoor Education." Having served the Vermont State College system for more than 24 years I believe that I can speak to the relevance and importance of higher education to our great state and the need to support Vermont State University.

To be clear, **I am requesting that you fund the full promise to Vermont State University** (VTSU) of \$10 million for deficit reduction and bridge funding.

The residents of Vermont, the businesses and social service organizations that serve our population and visitors, and the future of our state's economy will be heavily influenced by a thriving state university system. However, VTSU has already engaged in significant changes and cuts to our programs, our faculty, and our staff, and we need the state to fulfill its promise to support innovation and higher education in Vermont.

Please fund the full promise to Vermont State University (VTSU) of \$10 million for deficit reduction and bridge funding.

Feel free to contact me at <u>Brad.Moskowitz@VermontState.edu</u> with any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

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