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The Honorable Steve Daines
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tim Sheehy
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: *Montana U. S. Attorney - Letter of Support for Kurt Alme*

Dear Senator Daines and Senator Sheehy:

I am honored to write this letter in strong support of Kurt Alme's consideration for the position of United States Attorney for the District of Montana. Having had the privilege of working with Mr. Alme professionally over the years, both at the state and federal levels, I can confidently attest to his exceptional qualifications, steadfast integrity, and unwavering commitment to public safety.

Mr. Alme and I both served on the Regional Rocky Mountain High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (RMHIDTA) Executive Board, supporting local drug task forces with policy guidance and funding. Our collaboration extended further when he served as the United States Attorney, and I headed the Division of Criminal Investigation at the Montana Department of Justice. Together, we worked on initiatives to reduce violent crime, combat drug-related issues, and implement substance abuse and diversion programs for at-risk individuals. His leadership in these efforts was instrumental in fostering effective partnerships among local, state, and federal agencies. Additionally, he successfully implemented the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative in two communities, yielding remarkable success and positive outcomes. His ability to build teams, think strategically, and implement collaborative solutions is a testament to his outstanding leadership skills and professionalism.

Mr. Alme's prior service as U.S. Attorney for the District of Montana left a profound and positive impact on public safety in our state. His deep knowledge of national and border security matters further underscores his capability to serve in this role once again. During his tenure as First Assistant U.S. Attorney from 2006 to 2010, he oversaw the District's Anti-Terrorism Unit, holding a top-secret clearance. He played a crucial role in facilitating the District's participation in the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council, the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force, and the Montana Analysis & Technical Information Center. Additionally, he ensured the prosecution of immigration violations and contributed to securing our nation's northern border.

From 2013 to 2017, Mr. Alme continued his dedication to public safety by serving as a member of the Montana Attorney General's Intelligence Advisory Board. This experience further strengthened his expertise in intelligence and security matters.

During his tenure as U.S. Attorney from 2017 to 2020, Mr. Alme served on the DOJ Northern Border Security Working Group, personally visiting the northern border to assess security challenges. He ensured the prosecution of immigration violations, including cases involving organized smuggling operations across the Canadian border. Moreover, he took proactive steps to support and strengthen drug task forces operating near the border and partnered with the FBI to implement initiatives that educated universities and private-sector research institutions on the threat of Chinese espionage. Mr. Alme's demonstrated commitment to supporting law enforcement and recognizing the sacrifices they make for our communities is further illustrated through his advocacy efforts. His leadership, expertise, and dedication to justice make him an exceptional candidate for the role of U.S. Attorney for the District of Montana.

I give my highest endorsement of Kurt Alme's nomination. His integrity, professionalism, and ability to lead with fairness and strategic vision will undoubtedly serve the people of Montana and the United States with distinction. I respectfully urge you to give his nomination your full and favorable consideration.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bryan E. Lockerby", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bryan E. Lockerby

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Administrator, Montana Division of Criminal Investigation (Ret.)