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The Honorable Steve Daines
United States Senate
30 West 14th Street, Ste. 206
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Dear Senator Daines:

I am pleased to recommend Kurt Alme for a Presidential appointment to the position of United States Attorney for the District of Montana. I have known Kurt as a friend and colleague for over twenty years, and I have had the pleasure of working with him in various positions he has held over the years. As you likely already know, Kurt hails from Miles City, and he has deep roots in our great state.

I am deeply impressed by Kurt's education and professional experience. Although it appears that Kurt was unable to obtain admission at the University of Montana School of Law, I think his ultimate choice of Harvard Law School was a good one. I am thankful that Kurt decided to return to Montana after law school because he has contributed significantly to our state's legal profession, to justice and public safety, and to the philanthropic world. Kurt is one of those unique individuals who strives hard to pay back and pay-it-forward in recognition of the great good fortune and opportunity that he has earned and received through the years. Kurt exemplifies all that is good about Montana and her citizens.

What you don't see in Kurt's résumé is what makes him such an extraordinarily wonderful choice for such an extremely important job – that's Kurt's faith life, family life, and the strength of his relationships with his friends and colleagues. I had so much faith in Kurt's character, wisdom, and abilities that I first asked him to vet potential appointees to positions in my office after being elected as Montana's Attorney General, and then I asked him to come to work with me. Regrettably for me, Kurt turned me down, but please know that I would hire him today if I could.

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I've been practicing law in Montana now for thirty years. I've worked with and against many very capable attorneys, but I can tell you that Kurt is one of the very best. Filling the position of U.S. Attorney with the right person is incredibly important at this time in the history of Montana and our Nation. Crime and corruption threaten our personal and collective freedoms, and the President absolutely must appoint Kurt so that we have someone who already knows Montana and understands the responsibilities of the job. My office collaborates with U.S. Attorney's office on many cases and projects, and I know that, with Kurt at the helm, our offices will work together effectively and efficiently from day one.

Many people have called me in recent months to let me know that they would be interested in this appointment. Those who have called are all good people and good lawyers, but in my opinion none of them are as perfectly suited for the job as Kurt. Kurt has my full support, and I commend him to you and to the President.

Please feel free to contact me if you require further information or have questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration of my recommendation.

Sincerely,



TIM FOX
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