

January 24, 2014

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
United States Senate
437 Russell Senate Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Leahy:

I understand that Layla Paine is submitting an application to your office to work as a Senate Page, and I would like to pass along my support and recommendation.

Layla worked as a Vermont Legislative Page during the 2012 session, and did an excellent job. Even at her young age, she maintained an excellent rapport with people of all ages, stayed focused in light of different challenges, and handled her duties here in the State House with skill and confidence. I have no doubt that experience will serve her well in Washington.

Layla currently attends Mount Abraham Union High School in Bristol. From meeting her and reading her resume, it's clear that Layla is as dedicated to her school work as she is to her numerous activities, having consistently made the high honor roll since 2010. Knowing the demanding academic schedule required of Senate Pages, I have no doubt that Layla will be successful in that environment and keep up with her schoolwork.

Perhaps most importantly, it is clear to me that Layla is a driven young woman who seeks every opportunity to learn something new – whether it's sports, music, or the political arena – and she takes such opportunities very seriously. Her extracurricular commitments stand as testament to her impressive time management skills and her focus has driven her to seek out new experiences, such as this. I know she would truly appreciate the chance to serve as a page in the U.S. Senate, and I hope she will have your support.

Best regards,

Phil Scott