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Dear John:

I wanted to take a moment to thank you for your years of service to the Town of Milton and to congratulate you on your well-deserved retirement.

It takes a special type of person to step up and serve their community; you're the person your neighbors turn to in good times and in bad, the one they look to for answers, and sometimes the one they blame for their problems. The fact that you have served as both Town Clerk and Treasurer for 46 years shows that you are indeed a special Vermonter – most people can't even fathom taking on those tasks for a year, let alone more than four decades!

What's equally impressive is that you manage to find time to serve Vermonters in other capacities: more than 30 years as a Deputy Fish and Game Warden plus three decades with the Milton Volunteer Fire Department serving as a first responder, and ten years coaching Little League and Babe Ruth League. I have a deep respect for the people who put their lives on the line so the rest of us can sleep safely at night, and a deep admiration for those who care for Vermont's beautiful landscape, wildlife, and children. John, we need more Vermonters like you.

So I commend you on a job well done, and I thank you for all that you've done for Milton and for Vermont. You'll be a hard act to follow.

Best regards,

Phil Scott