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Thank you for everything team Shumlin!
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September 10, 2015

The Honorable Peter Shumlin
Governor of Vermont
Montpelier, VT 05609-0101

Dear Governor Shumlin:

I am writing to submit my resignation from my position as Secretary of Transportation, effective Friday, September 11th.

Leading the Agency of Transportation over the past five years has been the greatest highlight of my career, and I am grateful to you for the opportunity to serve our state in this capacity.

There is much to be proud of. Over the past five years, the Agency of Transportation has made significant progress in providing a wide spectrum of essential government services. We have reduced by half the percentage of structurally deficient state bridges, improved the quality of our roads, expanded our public transit and rail ridership, and enhanced our aviation assets. All of these investments have provided greater safety and mobility for Vermonters, and also strengthened the state's economy by providing good paying jobs and laying the foundation for private sector growth.

Inside the Agency we have promoted a culture of safety, innovation, and customer service. Our focus on improving highway safety has made a difference. Last year was the lowest number of fatalities on Vermont roadways since before World War II. Nevertheless, every injury or fatality is a preventable tragedy and we are more committed than ever to seeking more ways to save lives on our highways.

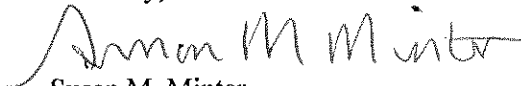
VTrans is fostering innovation -- thinking differently and working to deliver quality products more efficiently and at lower cost, with a commitment to the customers we serve. Our Accelerated Bridge Program is a signature success, delivering bridges faster, cheaper and smarter. And our Department of Motor vehicles is one of the leading departments in reducing wait times to better serve our customers.

While the accomplishments are many, what I will be forever most proud of is our Agency's performance following Tropical Storm Irene. Our team was able to respond effectively in the face of crisis and rebuild over 500 miles of damaged road in record time. Through dedication and sacrifice, through partnerships and innovation, we restored safety and mobility to Vermonters across the state. It was a moment in history that will forever make us proud.

I will always be honored to have been a leader of such a tremendous organization in the face of historic challenge. The employees of VTrans are our greatest asset, and I am extremely proud of the work they do every day for Vermonters.

I know there is much important work ahead at VTrans, and feel confident that I leave with a strong leadership team and workforce in place for the Agency moving forward. I move forward with the hope of being able to continue my service to the state of Vermont in other capacities in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Susan M. Minter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Susan" being the most prominent.

Susan M. Minter
Secretary of Transportation