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<ISSUE>Government Operations</ISSUE>
<MSG>Dear Governor Shumlin,

I would like to give you my thoughts on who I think you should select to fill the Rutland County Senate seat vacated by Bill Carris. Because I am not involved in the Rutland County Democratic Party, I will be offering you a neutral perspective on the candidates who I think would serve Rutland County the best. The following are the candidates i think you should consider:

1. Bob Baird - Bob has proven himself a true leader of his community. Bob is adept in building consensus, understanding the opposition, and using creativity to problem solve. Bob deserves first consideration for this position in my opinion due to the mere fact that he leads by example and steers away from the tendencies of a career politician. Bob is a practical man in the tradition of Bill Carris; a Vermonter through and through.
2. Tracy Carris - Tracy deserves second consideration for his fresh voice. Tracy would work hard to improve education and job opportunities for young vermonters. He is a patron of the arts, one of Vermonts most valuable exports. And he is a proven leader like his father; someone who will listen to all sides before drawing a conclusion or making a decision.
3. Cheryl Hooker - Cheryl deserves third consideration primarily for her experience in government and knowledge of the law. Cheryl has served in both chambers of the VT legislative body and likely draw upon that experience if selected to serve in the Senate again. Cheryl is an excellent advocate for human rights and is extremely eloquent in her arguments.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Larry Williams
Shrewsbury, VT

Note

This list intentionally excludes two of the more populist choices: Eldred French and Rich Carlson. Although these two men may be very capable in their own right to serve in State government, the reason I have excluded them is due to the fact that they possess none of the qualities that I find redeeming in a State Senator. Please be advised, many acquaintances that I have in the Rutland County area are concerned with these two individuals for their lack of interpersonal skills and courtesy in dealing with their constituents.

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<MSG>Dear Governor Shumlin:

I am a Justice of the Peace in Shrewsbury, VT, and I am writing to encourage you to appoint Eldred French to the VT Senate seat formerly held by Bill Carris in Rutland County.

I have known Eldred for over 20 years as a friend, as members of our local food co-op, in activities as supportive parents in our elementary and high schools, and in his role as our Town Moderator.

I have seen him handle tense situations in town politics with fairness and calmness, and have been impressed with his dedication to representing us well in the VT House. His approach to responsibility includes educating himself about the issues, and giving careful consideration before making decisions, but he also is dedicated to working hard for issues that are important to him and his constituents. I can't think of a better person to represent us in the Vermont Senate.

Sincerely, Trish Norton

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<MSG>Hello Governor Shumlin - I would like to add my voice to those of many others who strongly support your naming Eldred French to fill the Senate seat vacated by Bill Carris in Rutland. I live in Mount Holly and we were very disappointed that Eldred did not win the election to the House. Although we will not have the opportunity to vote for Eldred if he is representing Rutland in the Senate, my husband and I wanted you to know how impressed we are with Eldred, his positions, his intelligence, and strong commitment not only to important issues but his willingness to listen and to hear all points of view. I canvassed with Eldred in Mount Holly and watched how he could listen and relate to voters even if they came from very opposite points of view.

Again, my husband and I strongly support Eldred French for appointment to the Senate.

And many thanks for all the good work you are doing for Vermont. You have been a terrific governor and we are lucky to have you.

Janet Warren
Secretary, Mount Holly Democrats

Paul Warren</MSG>
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<ISSUE>Thank You</ISSUE>

<MSG>December 20, 2012

Dear Peter: (please forgive the informal salutation, but, I love how you govern, and I feel in sync with you!)

Now, let me tell you about my sister – Cheryl Mazzariello Hooker! You couldn't find a better replacement for Senator Bill Carris, if you looked for the rest of your term in office – which, of course, you can't do.

As you know, Cheryl has served honorably in both the House and Senate. She is intelligent, astute, generous, and compassionate. She is also passionate for legislation in which she believes, such as Single Payer Health Care and Inalienable Rights for all people. She lost her bid for re-election, as did my wife, Mary, and the rest of the Democrats in Rutland over Vermont's first successful legislation on Gay Rights. (*My wife, Mary, was the pivotal speaker during the second vote on the Gay Rights legislation when she told about our own family's experience. Speaker Obie asked Mary to speak after Nancy Sheltra's 'anti-gay' remarks, and when Mary spoke from her heart, I think it swayed enough undecided votes in favor of the bill. I also think that having Mary speak after Sheltra was one of Obie's most brilliant decisions. Her speech, which I feel, garnered the necessary votes to pass the 2nd reading! – but, sorry, you can't have Mary!!)

Anyway, getting back to Cheryl's endorsement, there are many examples of how instrumental she has worked in Montpelier, and, truthfully, she is 'chomping at the bit' to be back in office.

Sincerely, and if you'd like to hear more accolades re: Cheryl, the person, feel free to call.

God Bless You and have a Joyous and Merry Christmas season.

Carl Mazzariello (c – 802-770-8645)

p.s. Hope your trip to Italy was wonderful. Sometime I'll tell you about

how Mary broke her shoulder in Rotundi (near Naples!)
pps. Cheryl doesn't know that I am writing on her behalf.
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Dear Governor:

The last time you and I visited I was designing the water system for your home village of Putney. It is wonderful you are now in the governor's office and I appreciate the job you are doing.

This email is in regards to my neighbor, friend, and House representative Eldred French. As you are aware Shrewsbury was recently the victim of redistricting (as has happened several times before). Due to the redistricting, we lost a very hard working, compassionate, bipartisan representative who participated in the House with the high respect of his peers and the folks he represented back home in Shrewsbury, Wallingford and Tinmouth. Eldred has participated and contributed immensely in our community for over 35 years and is truly a community leader. We were very disappointed that he lost the recent House race, having to introduce himself to the folks in Mt. Holly and Ludlow, which are not really connected to our little town.

With Senator Bill Carris stepping down we read with excitement that Eldred's name may be brought forward to fill that position. Speaking for myself and many folks in Shrewsbury, we believe there is no better person to fill this position and to represent Rutland County. Eldred is a small business owner (arborist), is hard working, compassionate, intelligent, a great communicator, and is always looking at the larger picture. He is highly respected throughout our community and has the highest integrity of anyone I know. Most importantly he recognizes that he represents the citizens of his communities and does not push a personal agenda over the collective good. He was very proud to serve in the House and I know he will be a terrific senator

if given the opportunity.

Please give Eldred French your serious consideration as you fill this Rutland County position.

Thank you.

Mark Youngstrom
Shrewsbury, VT</MSG>
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<MSG>Hello Governor Shumlin,

I'm writing to urge you to appoint Eldred French to the Senate to fill Sen. Carris' seat from Rutland County.

Eldred is one of my oldest and dearest friends. His intellect and energy were real assets in the House during the last four years.

I grew up in Rutland County and have watched the Godnick/Bloomer/Maynard sorts over the years. Now, more than ever, Rutland County needs a progressive and courageous voice.

Eldred is a force for positive change. I expect you will hear from Shap and Bill Lippert and other colleagues in the House about Eldred's abilities and work ethic.

Enjoy the holidays and I hope you get to take some time off. And stop by our new restaurant in Hinesburg when you're coming through town.

Will Patten
Hinesburgh Public House

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