



**OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

Vermont State House

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Howard Fairman  
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Dear Howard:

Thank you for taking the time to contact my office. I appreciate you sharing your views on the "Seat at the Table" session and thank you for participating!

I share your concerns on the need for concrete action as well as funding to ensure broadband access for all Vermonters. Indeed, we've spent significant time identifying the problems posed by the broadband gap. Our aim was to elevate the voices of diverse groups and to unite these groups in any readiness strategy as we prepare to close the broadband gap. I continue to engage the Vermont's Congressional Delegation, the Scott Administration, Legislative leaders and providers on possible solutions.

I am deeply committed to this issue, and elevating the voices of Vermonters in Putney and across the state. I hope you will not hesitate to contact my office again.

I wish you good health as we work together to ensure Vermont recovers stronger from this pandemic.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Molly R. Gray". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Molly R. Gray  
Lieutenant Governor of Vermont

Lt. Gov. Gray, your A Seat at the Table inspiredly facilitates communication about statewide public issues. Its dŒbut, however, was the choir preaching to the choir. Everyone in Vermont agrees that everyone in Vermont needs broadband Internet access: a proven technology. All we have to do is budget, fund, and install it. Let's just do it. Hence my suggestion: Feature people proposing solutions. Thank you for your consideration. Howard Fairman Private citizen Putney