

# Town of Rumford, Maine

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To Whom It May Concern:

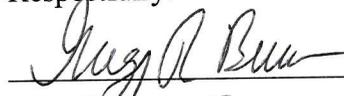
The Town of Rumford Board of Selectpersons has officially voted at their March 15, 2012 meeting to support the Maine Department of Transportation in their efforts to replace the Martin Memorial Bridge currently located on Route 232, 0.01 of a mile south of U.S. Route 2 over the Androscoggin River in Rumford. We are writing to provide proof of our strong support for their efforts to gain critical funds needed to indeed make this project happen sooner rather than later.

The condition of the bridge is one of serious and continuing deterioration. The delay in replacing the Martin Memorial Bridge continues to place our citizens at risk based on its structural integrity. As there are a number of residents that reside on the opposite side of the Androscoggin River from U.S. Route 2, it is essential they are provided with safe access to our town. Most importantly, the public safety provided to these residents should not be compromised.

The road also serves as a major corridor for our town to the Oxford Hills Region and our County Seat in South Paris. Many of our residents rely on this route on a daily basis for employment purposes, as well as access to the Ledgeview Nursing Home and The Maine Veterans Home to visit both family members and friends.

It is our sincerest hope that you give this project your complete and unbiased consideration.

Respectfully:

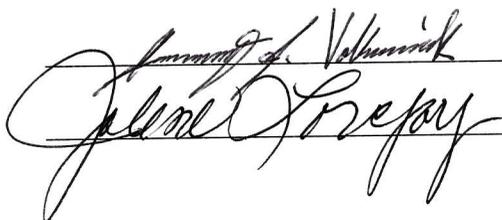


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