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New Hampshire Supreme Court
One Charles Doe Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Appointment of an Administrator for the Youth Development Center Settlement Fund

As this Honorable Court is likely aware, during this past legislative session, the general court created the YDC Settlement Fund, through enactment of RSA 21-M:11-a. Pursuant to subsection III of that statute, “[t]he supreme court shall appoint an administrator agreed to by the attorney general and counsel for claimants.” We, the attorney general and all counsel representing claimants who have made themselves known to the attorney general, write to you now to inform you that the Hon. John T. Broderick, Jr. has agreed to serve as administrator if appointed; and to unanimously request his appointment to the position of Administrator of the YDC Settlement Fund, with all of the duties and authority granted to him pursuant to RSA 21-M:11-a.

As “an independent, neutral attorney admitted to the practice of law in New Hampshire,” Justice Broderick meets the basic requirements to serve. *See* RSA 21-M:11-a, I(a). Additionally, though, we believe Justice Broderick to be an exceptional candidate due to his distinguished career and excellent reputation.

Justice Broderick worked for over twenty years in private practice as a civil trial lawyer, before embarking upon public service, where his accomplishments are many. He served this court from 1995 to 2010, the last seven years as Chief Justice. During his tenure on the court, he worked to improve citizens’ access to the courts, and expanded family court, mental health court and drug dockets across the state. Following his judicial service, he served as Dean of the Law School at UNH where he founded and led the Warren B. Rudman Center for Justice, Leadership

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