New Hampshire
Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food

Shawn N. Jasper, Commissioner

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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 94:6, the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food respectfully requests that Mr. Joshua K. Marshall, of Canterbury, New Hampshire, be placed at Step 2 of unclassified salary grade GG, earning $93,093 annually for the position of Assistant Commissioner, Position #9U789, effective **retroactive** to May 15, 2024, Mr. Marshall's start date, upon Governor and Council approval. 100% General Funds.

EXPLANATION

The Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food requests an entrance salary higher than the minimum salary within the established range of unclassified salary grade GG for Mr. Joshua K. Marshall, Position #9U789. In accordance with RSA 94:6, the higher step brings him into this position so his salary is not less than what he made in his previous position as Director of Agricultural Development. This **retroactive** adjustment will compensate Mr. Marshall appropriately for his expertise and service.

Mr. Marshall has a bachelor's degree in communications/media and seven years of experience as Communications Director for the New Hampshire Farm Bureau Federation prior to serving as Director of Agricultural Development for the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food for the past two years. In addition to his professional work history, he has practical farming experience as a fourth-generation farmer in Boscawen.

Mr. Marshall currently serves on multiple agricultural boards and councils including the Canterbury Agricultural Commission, the NH Farm, Forest & Garden Exposition Board or Directors, Granite State FFA Foundation Board of Directors, Granite State Dairy Promotion Board of Directors, and the Farm to Institution New England Network Advisory Council.

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Based upon Mr. Marshall's extensive experience as an agricultural communicator and advocate, the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food respectfully requests that Mr. Marshall be placed at Step 2 of unclassified salary grade GG, earning $93,093 annually for the position of Assistant Commissioner, Position #9U789, effective retroactive to May 15, 2024, Mr. Marshall's start date, upon Governor and Council approval.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shawn N. Jasper
Commissioner