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Subject: Please confirm Jason Brune as DEC commissioner

Dear Representatives,

I am writing to ask you to approve Jason Brune as Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation. I have known Jason for over 10 years, both when I worked for the U.S. Geological Survey and since retirement.

He has the education and background needed for this position. His previous experience in some of the industries he would be helping regulate will be invaluable in understanding exactly how regulations can be implemented and the pitfalls of specific situations. Jason is invariably patient, fair, and open to new information, and he would make an very good commissioner.
Thank you.

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