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To whom it may concern,

I would like to offer my support in regards to the Windham County Sheriff's Office proposed concept of constructing and operating a facility that would in-part provide pretrial prisoner detention bed space within the State of Vermont.

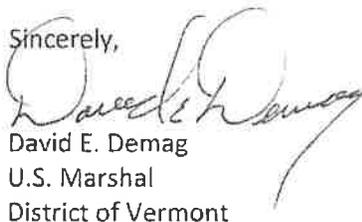
Currently the United States Marshals Service, District of Vermont manages a prisoner pretrial detention population that averages 100-120 inmates. The Vermont Department of Corrections VTDOC is currently the only in state provider of detainee bed space. Due to their limited number of bed space it is necessary for our agency to house a large percentage of our detainee population in out of state jail facilities. This geographic fragmentation of our prisoner population is inefficient for accessibility to courts, counsel, and transportation cost.

Such a facility as Sheriff Keith Clark is proposing would go a long way in meeting our agency's need for instate detainee bed space. If such a facility were constructed we would be very interested in entering into negotiations for its use with Sheriff Clark.

The Windham County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Keith Clark have a proven track record of innovations to address criminal justice and mental health systems needs in Vermont.

We look forward to working with Sheriff Clark on this exciting and innovative approach to addressing the prisoner population bed space issue with the State of Vermont.

Sincerely,



David E. Demag
U.S. Marshal
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