



January 28, 2015

Dear Members of the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee,

On behalf of the four generations of our family, who operate Jones Family Farm and Jones Winery in Shelton, I would like to express our enthusiastic support of Commissioner Reviczky's nomination to continue his service as Commissioner of Agriculture.

His leadership has provided growth opportunities for our 400-acre family farm (and many other Connecticut farms, both large and small), which has benefitted the economic development and environmental quality of our region.

Under the Malloy administration, the Department of Agriculture has also provided opportunities with grants to help fund our Winery expansion and restore abandoned farmland on a newly purchased property. These projects have provided new employment and job expansion here.

We look forward to expanded farmer's market enterprises in Shelton expedited by Commissioner Reviczky's leadership at the Department of Agriculture. This will help numerous other family farms in our area.

Lastly, the vital work of Connecticut farmland preservation is on-going and we support Commissioner Reviczky's plans to raise the success and output to new levels.

Off the farm, I serve on the Board of Control of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station. I have found Commission Reviczky's input to our deliberations extremely helpful.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Terry Jones' in a cursive script.

Terry Jones
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