The Vermont Women's Leadership Initiative WOMEN LEADERSHIP 2003

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Dear Susan:

You have been identified as a leader by people in your community. Senator Susan Bartlett, Representative Gaye Symington and I invite you to fully explore your leadership potential by joining some of Vermont's female political leaders for a day. We have put together an exciting agenda that is designed to stimulate your imagination and get you to think about running for political office sometime in the future.

As women in elected office, we know that most women who run for office do so because someone asked them or suggested that they might be good for the job. Even if now is not your time to run for office, we hope you will join us to talk about current issues and ideas, share experiences with women who have run for office, and begin thinking how you can serve your community in new ways.

We ask that you join us at 9:00 on November 1st at the West Mountain Inn in Arlington for what we expect will be a fun and stimulating day. No previous political experience is required.

An agenda is enclosed along with additional information on the Women's Leadership Initiative. This is an "invitation only" event so please RSVP to Jennifer Wallace-Brodeur at 651-9773 or organize@sover.net by Wednesday, October 29th. Susan, Gaye and I look forward to seeing you on November 1st!

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Markowitz Secretary of State