## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES



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HELENA, MONTANA 59604

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Mike Samson
Board of Selection
Town of Poultney
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Dear Selection Committee:

I highly recommend Jonas Rosenthal for the position of Town Manager.

As former State Budget Director, I employed and supervised Jonas in the summer of 1982. His primary responsibility was to draft Governor Schwinden's Local Government Block Grant Program. This new approach to provide additional financial support for services to local government was a centerpiece of the Governor's "Build Montana" program for the 1983 legislative session. Jonas accepted his responsibility with great enthusiasm and demonstrated a willingness to research new ideas.

In my role as Director of the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, I have worked with Jonas on a variety of issues. He is cost conscious and people sensitive in his approach to solving problems and is adept at successfully completing work assignments. I found him to be a very conscientious, polite and courteous public servant--necessary qualities when working with the public.

I believe Jonas has the necessary skills to become a successful Town Manager for the community of Poultney. If I can provide additional information, please contact me at (406) 444-5622.

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Sincerely,

Dave Lewis

Director