

I am writing this letter to inform the residents of Adams County about my experiences with Sheriff Ryan Zollman in relation to state legislative matters. I have had the privilege of knowing Sheriff Zollman for a long time, even before I became a state legislator, as we were both involved in high school sports. Over the years, we have developed a strong friendship, and I am continually impressed by his professionalism, persistence, dedication, and knowledge.

As we both assumed our elected positions, I have witnessed Sheriff Zollman's unwavering professionalism in his approach to conducting business. He is direct, straightforward, and does not shy away from difficult conversations. When discussing matters that concern the county, he expresses his concerns and needs with clarity and sincerity.

When it comes to issues that directly impact the safety of Adams County, Sheriff Zollman has been proactive in bringing them to my attention. His persistence in staying in contact with me to ensure that these concerns are addressed is commendable. He never drops the ball, as they say in the sports world.

Sheriff Zollman's dedication to the safety and well-being of Adams County is evident. He is deeply committed to addressing unsafe intersections and turnouts, as well as combatting the fentanyl crisis and its impact on the safety of his deputies during routine traffic stops.

I have great confidence in Sheriff Zollman's knowledge of Idaho laws. During our discussions on proposed legislation, he consistently provides balanced perspectives on the pros and cons of potential new laws. I have sought his advice on multiple occasions, relying on his experiences and insights into existing laws. His input has played a significant role in shaping my decisions, including my support for the fentanyl bill that successfully passed and became law in the previous session.

In conclusion, I consider Sheriff Zollman to be an invaluable asset to the residents of Adams County. He not only demonstrates dedication in his professional life but also extends it to his personal endeavors, such as volunteering for local sports teams. When faced with challenging situations, Sheriff Zollman has proven himself to be steadfast and resilient. I have full confidence that if re-elected, he will continue to prioritize the safety and well-being of Adams County.

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