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Dear friends.

Thanks to 317 of you who've reached out to me over the past several weeks and encouraged me to run for office.

Plato and Socrates were right when they said that "the price for not being an engaged citizen is bad government". There is so much we need to do;

I appreciate all that Senator Sanders has accomplished. Yet, I believe he is far short of what we need. The economy that's built us over the past 100 years is vanishing beneath our feet. Although Sanders is right about a lot of what ails us, his solutions are arthritic and driven by politics. With his next term, I believe he has a final opportunity to prove that he is not just another flavor of the careerist politicians who've gotten us into this mess.

Good luck Bernie.

In Vermont, we need leadership that believes what we do is our measure as a person. Deeds outweigh words. When politicians use words to make promises, they can't keep – it undermines faith in government. Without faith in government, all of our futures are at risk.

This will get better if you join me in honoring democracy.....by being active and interested.

Although I will not be a candidate for statewide office in Vermont this year, I deeply appreciate you, and our friendship.

Scott