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1 Fay: a vote for grace and mercy to those less fortunate

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3 TEXT BODY:

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4 As (until recently) a lifelong Brattleboro resident, I have  
5 seen many Selectboard decisions — both good and bad — that  
6 affect the town. I do not envy the board members, as they often  
7 have to make difficult choices. I do, however, appreciate the  
8 effort, time, and hard work that they all put in.

9 With the removal of the paltry less-than-1% funding for  
10 social services for FY27, it seems that we need someone on the  
11 board that sees the significance of continuing this appropriation.

12 Ken Fay has been through many ups and downs in his  
13 life, including being a recipient of social services from time to  
14 time. He therefore can relate firsthand to the need for these  
15 services. And he is able to see the impending consequences if the  
16 services are not adequately funded.

17 He dedicates much of his time volunteering to help those  
18 less fortunate or down on their luck. On the board, he would be  
19 a vital, strong voice to encourage support for those that are need  
20 of such advocacy.

21 At some point, most everyone has complications in their  
22 life that can be an impediment to success. And at those times, a  
23 convincing expression of support can be a life saver.

24 I believe that Ken Fay can fill that role of being an ardent  
25 proponent of extending a helping hand to the downtrodden and  
26 is enthusiastic to do so. A vote for him is vote for grace and  
27 mercy to those less fortunate.

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