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Secretary of State David Scanlan Acknowledges Senior Deputy Secretary of State Patty Lovejoy's Contributions to Office

Patty Lovejoy served as Senior Deputy Secretary of State for three years.

CONCORD, NH (March 3, 2025): After three years of tremendous service to the Secretary of State's Office, Senior Deputy Secretary of State Patty Lovejoy is retiring. Secretary of State David Scanlan chose Patty for the position in January 2022, pursuant to RSA 5:2-a.

As a certified public accountant, Patty's financial expertise was a huge asset to the Secretary of State's team. Her leadership was also crucial to the administration of successful and transparent elections. During state and federal elections, she assisted with risk-limiting audits of ballot-counting devices; led recounts, which she had done for years prior to joining the office; and fulfilled New Hampshire's federal election reporting requirements. She also provided valuable input on election-related legislation and as a team player, assisted staff in packing and delivering ballots before each election.

Additionally, Patty implemented [New Hampshire's first "Vote in Honor of a Veteran" program](#), which gives New Hampshire voters the opportunity to recognize Veterans and Service Members. Since launching in July of 2024, over 700 voters have participated in the program.



Senior Deputy Secretary of State Patty Lovejoy (L) and Secretary of State David Scanlan (R) pose with Navy Veteran Jacob Aldridge, designer of the "Vote in Honor of a Veteran" pin.

Prior to joining the Secretary of State's Office, Patty served as a New Hampshire state representative for 10 years, chairing the House Finance Committee, Division 1, for two years.

In addition to her years of experience, Patty brought vitality, humor, and tenacity to the office. Her impressive knowledge of election processes coupled with her inner strength were a continual source of inspiration for her colleagues.

David Scanlan, Secretary of State: "Patty has been a great member of the Secretary of State leadership team, and she has made significant contributions to the office. I am pleased that she is willing to come back to assist with recounts and other election-related activities."

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