February 28, 2022

Secretary of State Brian Bingman
2300 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Room 122
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear Secretary Bingman:

It has been the greatest honor to serve the people of Oklahoma since I first entered public service in 1967, but after much prayer and consideration, Kay and I feel the time has come to stand aside and support the next generation of Oklahoma leaders.

Accordingly, pursuant to 26 O.S. § 12-119, I am writing to inform you of my intention to retire from the United States Senate on January 3, 2023. Under state law 26 O.S. § 12-101, this constitutes my irrevocable pledge to retire at the end of the 117th Congress, which allows the special election to be held concurrent with the existing election schedule.

I am excited to announce that I am endorsing Bartlesville-native and fellow Tulsan, Luke Holland in the special election to replace me, because Luke is a fierce conservative and the best person to continue my legacy of a strong national defense and investment in local infrastructure.

May God bless the great state of Oklahoma and the United States of America.

Sincerely,

James M. Inhofe
United States Senator

Cc: Governor Kevin Stitt