

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
 2nd Legislative Day
 Wednesday, January 2, 2019

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Jane Field, Maine Council of Churches, Portland.

National Anthem by David Young, Raymond.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Charles Pattavina, M.D., Winterport.

At this point, a message came from the Senate borne by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin of that Body, proposing a Joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature to be held at 6:00 in the evening at the Augusta Civic Center for the purpose of administering to the Honorable JANET TRAFTON MILLS, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify her to enter upon the discharge of her official duties and to receive such communication as she may be pleased to make.

Thereupon the House voted to concur in the proposal for a Joint Convention to be held at 6:00 in the evening at the Augusta Civic Center and the Speaker appointed representative MOONEN of Portland to convey this message to the Senate.

The Journal of Wednesday, December 5, 2018 was read and approved.

At this point, the Speaker recognized the Representative from Athens, Representative Grignon and the Representative from Presque Isle, Representative Stewart and they were added to the roll call of the First Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

Subsequently, representative MOONEN of Portland reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 10)

**STATE OF MAINE
 OFFICE OF THE
 SECRETARY OF STATE
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0148**

December 3, 2018
 Honorable Sara Gideon
 Speaker of the House
 2 State House Station
 Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon,
 The following is a summary of the results of the November 6, 2018 Referendum Election, which were submitted to the Governor on November 26, 2018.

Question 1: Citizen Initiative	
Number of Votes in Favor	235,679
Number of Votes Opposed	398,819
Question 2: Bond Issue	
Number of Votes in Favor	344,507
Number of Votes Opposed	286,248
Question 3: Bond Issue	
Number of Votes in Favor	427,357
Number of Votes Opposed	203,780
Question 4: Bond Issue	
Number of Votes in Favor	340,743
Number of Votes Opposed	288,455
Question 5: Bond Issue	
Number of Votes in Favor	410,288
Number of Votes Opposed	221,947

Sincerely,
 S/Matthew Dunlap
 Secretary of State

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 12)

**STATE OF MAINE
 Office of the Secretary of State**

January 2, 2019

To the Speaker of the House in the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature:

I, MATTHEW DUNLAP, Secretary of State, in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, having tabulated the returns of the votes cast for Governor at the General Election held on the sixth day of November in the year two thousand and eighteen;

REPORT AS FOLLOWS; that Janet T. Mills, having received a plurality of the votes cast, appears to have been elected Governor of the State of Maine:

General Election – November 6, 2018

Governor
 Teresea M. Hayes
 Buckfield
 Independent

Androscoggin	3,337
Aroostook	2,237
Cumberland	7,299
Franklin	738
Hancock	1,547
Kennebec	3,422
Knox	985
Lincoln	1,019
Oxford	2,742
Penobscot	3,642
Piscataquis	463
Sagadahoc	1,210
Somerset	1,204
Waldo	1,083
Washington	772
York	5,494
State UOCAVA	74

Total 37,268

Janet T. Mills
 Farmington
 Democrat

Androscoggin	19,801
Aroostook	10,347
Cumberland	93,368
Franklin	7,085
Hancock	15,221
Kennebec	26,777
Knox	11,691
Lincoln	9,676
Oxford	10,508
Penobscot	29,039
Piscataquis	2,868
Sagadahoc	10,152
Somerset	8,524
Waldo	10,109
Washington	5,740
York	48,078
State UOCAVA	1,978
Total	320,962

Shawn H. Moody
Gorham
Republican

Androscoggin	21,903
Aroostook	14,486
Cumberland	52,811
Franklin	6,257
Hancock	11,345
Kennebec	25,752
Knox	7,694
Lincoln	8,324
Oxford	12,339
Penobscot	31,621
Piscataquis	4,074
Sagadahoc	7,714
Somerset	11,048
Waldo	8,397
Washington	6,542
York	41,727
State UOCAVA	277
Total	272,311

Others

Androscoggin	30
Aroostook	2
Cumberland	6
Franklin	3
Hancock	2
Kennebec	3
Knox	31
Lincoln	5
Oxford	3
Penobscot	4
Piscataquis	0
Sagadahoc	19
Somerset	6
Waldo	5
Washington	3
York	4
State UOCAVA	0

Total 126

I, MATTHEW DUNLAP, Secretary of State, hereby certify that the foregoing report is a true tabulation of the votes cast for Governor at the General Election, as reported to me on the returns from the cities, towns and plantations of the State.

S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 13)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

TO: Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
FROM: S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
DATE: December 21, 2018
RE: Committee Appointments
129th Legislature

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1(I)(a), I have made the following appointments to the various Joint Standing Committees:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Craig V. Hickman, Chair (D-Winthrop)
David Harold McCrea (D-Fort Fairfield)
Margaret M. O'Neil (D-Saco)
Chloe S. Maxmin (D-Nobleboro)
Tiffany Roberts-Lovell (D-South Berwick)
MaryAnne Kinney (R-Knox)*
Thomas H. Skolfield (R-Weld)
Randall C. Hall (R-Wilton)
Theodore Joseph Kryzak, Jr. (R-Acton)
William D. Pluecker (I-Warren)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Drew Gattine, Chair (D-Westbrook)
John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
Brian L. Hubbell (D-Bar Harbor)
Erik C. Jorgensen (D-Portland)
Michelle Dunphy (D-Old Town)
Teresa S. Pierce (D-Falmouth)
H. Sawin Millett, Jr. (R-Waterford)*
Dennis L. Keschl (R-Belgrade)

Nathan J. Wadsworth (R-Hiram)

Amy Bradstreet Arata (R-New Gloucester)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Charlotte Warren, Chair (D-Hallowell)
Janice E. Cooper (D-Yarmouth)
Pinny Beebe Center (D-Rockland)
Lois Galgay Reckitt (D-South Portland)
Victoria E. Morales (D-South Portland)
Braden Sharpe (D-Durham)
Richard A. Pickett (R-Dixfield)*
Patrick W. Corey (R-Windham)
Chris A. Johansen (R-Monticello)
Danny Edward Costain (R-Plymouth)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Victoria P. Kornfield, Chair (D-Bangor)
Michael F. Brennan (D-Portland)
Richard R. Farnsworth (D-Portland)

David Harold McCrea (D-Fort Fairfield)
 Janice S. Dodge (D-Belfast)
 Henry L. Ingwersen (D-Arundel)
 Heidi H. Sampson (R-Alfred)*
 Gary A. Drinkwater (R-Milford)
 Justin Fecteau (R-Augusta)
 Shelley Rudnicki (R-Fairfield)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Seth A. Berry, Chair (D-Bowdoinham)
 Deane Rykerson (D-Kittery)
 Christina Riley (D-Jay)
 Christopher James Caiazzo (D-Scarborough)
 Victoria W. Doudera (D-Camden)
 Nicole Grohoski (D-Ellsworth)
 Christopher J. Kessler (D-South Portland)
 Jeffery P. Hanley (R-Pittston)*
 Chad Wayne Grignon (R-Athens)
 Steven D. Foster (R-Dexter)

Environment and Natural Resources

Ralph L. Tucker, Chair (D-Brunswick)
 Michael G. Devin (D-Newcastle)
 Jessica L. Fay (D-Raymond)
 Stanley Paige Zeigler, Jr. (D-Montville)
 Lori K. Gramlich (D-Old Orchard Beach)
 Daniel J. Hobbs (D-Wells)
 Richard H. Campbell (R-Orrington)*
 Peter A. Lyford (R-Eddington)
 Thomas H. Skolfield (R-Weld)
 Chris A. Johansen (R-Monticello)

Health and Human Services

Patricia Hymanson, Chair (D-York)
 Margaret Craven (D-Lewiston)
 Anne C. Perry (D-Calais)
 Colleen M. Madigan (D-Waterville)
 Rachel Talbot Ross (D-Portland)
 Michele Meyer (D-Eliot)
 Holly B. Stover (D-Boothbay)
 Beth A. O'Connor (R-Berwick)*
 Kathy Irene Javner (R-Chester)
 Abigail W. Griffin (R-Levant)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Denise A. Tepler, Chair (D-Topsham)
 Michael F. Brennan (D-Portland)
 Anne Marie Mastraccio (D-Sanford)
 Heidi E. Brooks (D-Lewiston)
 Gina M. Melaragno (D-Auburn)
 Victoria Foley (D-Biddeford)
 Dwayne W. Prescott (R-Waterboro)*
 Mark John Blier (R-Buxton)
 Joshua Morris (R-Turner)
 Gregory Lewis Swallow (R-Houlton)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Catherine M. Nadeau, Chair (D-Winslow)
 John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
 Roland Danny Martin (D-Sinclair)
 Jessica L. Fay (D-Raymond)
 Stanley Paige Zeigler, Jr. (D-Montville)
 H. Scott Landry, Jr. (D-Farmington)
 Paul A. Stearns (R-Guilford)*
 Lester S. Ordway (R-Standish)
 Timothy S. Theriault (R-China)
 Richard G. Mason (R-Lisbon)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Commerce

Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, Chair (D-Brunswick)
 James R. Handy (D-Lewiston)
 Jennifer L. DeChant (D-Bath)
 Dale J. Denno (D-Cumberland)
 Shawn A. Babine (D-Scarborough)
 W. Edward Crockett (D-Portland)
 Joel R. Stetkis (R-Canaan)*
 Susan M. W. Austin (R-Gray)
 Matthew A. Harrington (R-Sanford)
 Norman E. Higgins (I-Dover Foxcroft)
 Rena D. Newell (the Passamaquoddy Tribe)

Judiciary

Donna Bailey, Chair (D-Saco)
 Christopher W. Babbidge (D-Kennebunk)
 Barbara A. Cardone (D-Bangor)
 Lois Galgay Reckitt (D-South Portland)
 Rachel Talbot Ross (D-Portland)
 Thom Harnett (D-Gardiner)
 David G. Haggan (R-Hampden)*
 Richard T. Bradstreet (R-Vassalboro)
 John DeVeau (R-Caribou)
 Jeffrey Evangelos (I-Friendship)

Labor and Housing

Michael A. Sylvester, Chair (D-Portland)
 Ann E. Peoples (D-Westbrook)
 Deane Rykerson (D-Kittery)
 Donna R. Doore (D-Augusta)
 Anne M. Carney (D-Cape Elizabeth)
 Scott W. Cuddy (D-Winterport)
 Richard T. Bradstreet (R-Vassalboro)*
 Susan M. W. Austin (R-Gray)
 Lawrence E. Lockman (R-Amherst)
 Joshua Morris (R-Turner)

Marine Resources

Joyce "Jay" McCreight, Chair (D-Harpswell)
 Michael G. Devin (D-Newcastle)
 Robert W. Alley, Sr. (D-Beals)
 Lydia C. Blume (D-York)
 Allison Hepler (D-Woolwich)
 Genevieve McDonald (D-Stonington)
 Billy Bob Faulkingham (R-Winter Harbor)*
 William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)
 Sherman H. Hutchins (R-Penobscot)
 Kathy Irene Javner (R-Chester)

State and Local Government

Roland Danny Martin, Chair (D-Sinclair)
 Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
 Arthur C. Verow (D-Brewer)
 Sarah Pebworth (D-Blue Hill)
 Roger E. Reed (R-Carmel)*
 Frances M. Head (R-Bethel)
 MaryAnne Kinney (R-Knox)
 William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)
 Jeffrey Evangelos (I-Friendship)
 Walter N. Riseman (I-Harrison)

Taxation

Ryan Tipping, Chair (D-Orono)
 Stephen S. Stanley (D-Medway)
 Maureen Fitzgerald Terry (D-Gorham)
 Kristen Sarah Cloutier (D-Lewiston)
 Diane M. Denk (D-Kennebunk)
 Ann Higgins Matlack (D-St. George)
 Donald G. Marean (R-Hollis)*
 Bruce A. Bickford (R-Auburn)

Philip A. Curtis (R-Madison)
Theodore Joseph Kryszak, Jr. (R-Acton)

Transportation

Andrew J. McLean, Chair (D-Gorham)
Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
Betty A. Austin (D-Skowhegan)
Benjamin T. Collings (D-Portland)
Bettyann W. Sheats (D-Auburn)
Bruce A. White (D-Waterville)
Michael D. Perkins (R-Oakland)*
Richard M. Cebra (R-Naples)
Dustin Michael White (R-Washburn)
Thomas H. Martin, Jr. (R-Greene)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

John C. Schneck, Chair (D-Bangor)
Janice E. Cooper (D-Yarmouth)
Craig V. Hickman (D-Winthrop)
Brian L. Hubbell (D-Bar Harbor)
Joyce "Jay" McCreight (D-Harpswell)
Scott Walter Strom (R-Pittsfield)*
Sheldon Mark Hanington (R-Lincoln)
John Andrews (R-Paris)
Josanne C. Dolloff (R-Rumford)
Kent Ackley (C-Monmouth)

*Ranking Republican Member

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 14)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 354, I have appointed the following members to the Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules:

Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules

Matt W. Moonen, Chair (D-Portland)
John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
Christopher W. Babbidge (D-Kennebunk)
Harold Trey L. Stewart, III (R-Presque Isle)*
Joel R. Stetkis (R-Canaan)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 15)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 371, I have appointed the following members to the Government Oversight Committee:

Government Oversight Committee

Anne Marie Mastraccio, Chair (D-Sanford)
Jennifer L. DeChant (D-Bath)
Margaret M. O'Neil (D-Saco)
Kathleen R. J. Dillingham (R-Oxford)*
H. Sawin Millett, Jr. (R-Waterford)
Amy Bradstreet Arata (R-New Gloucester)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 16)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (J), I have made the following appointments to the Standing Committees of the House:

Bills in the Second Reading

Jessica L. Fay, Chair (D-Raymond)
Erik C. Jorgensen (D-Portland)
Catherine M. Nadeau (D-Winslow)
Deane Rykerson (D-Kittery)
Thomas H. Skolfield (R-Weld)*
Dwayne W. Prescott (R-Waterboro)
William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)
Richard G. Mason (R-Lisbon)

Elections

Ryan M. Fecteau, Chair (D-Biddeford)
Margaret Craven (D-Lewiston)
Seth A. Berry (D-Bowdoinham)
Janice E. Cooper (D-Yarmouth)
Dustin Michael White (R-Washburn)*
MaryAnne Kinney (R-Knox)
Joel R. Stetkis (R-Canaan)
John Andrews (R-Paris)

Engrossed Bills

Pinny Beebe Center, Chair (D-Rockland)
Betty A. Austin (D-Skowhegan)
Rachel Talbot Ross (D-Portland)
Henry L. Ingwersen (D-Arundel)
Susan M. W. Austin (R-Gray)*
Roger E. Reed (R-Carmel)
Dwayne W. Prescott (R-Waterboro)
William D. Pluecker (I-Warren)

Ethics

Ryan M. Fecteau, Chair (D-Biddeford)
Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
Anne C. Perry (D-Calais)

Victoria E. Morales (D-South Portland)
Nathan J. Wadsworth (R-Hiram)*
Philip A. Curtis (R-Madison)
Timothy S. Theriault (R-China)
Heidi H. Sampson (R-Alfred)

Leaves of Absence

Richard R. Farnsworth, Chair (D-Portland)
Teresa S. Pierce (D-Falmouth)
Christopher James Caiazza (D-Scarborough)
Chloe S. Maxmin (D-Nobleboro)
Sheldon Mark Hanington (R-Lincoln)*
Richard M. Cebra (R-Naples)
Lester S. Ordway (R-Standish)
Josanne C. Dolloff (R-Rumford)

Rules and Business of the House

The Speaker, Ex Officio
Matt W. Moonen (D-Portland)
Kathleen R. J. Dillingham (R-Oxford)
Harold Trey L. Stewart, III (R-Presque Isle)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 17)

**SENATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.3, I have made the following appointments to various Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

James F. Dill, Chair (D-Penobscot)
G. William Diamond (D-Cumberland)
Russell Black (R-Franklin)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Catherine E. Breen, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Linda F. Sanborn (D-Cumberland)
James M. Hamper (R-Oxford)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Susan A. Deschambault, Chair (D-York)
Michael E. Carpenter (D-Aroostook)
Kimberley C. Rosen (R-Penobscot)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Rebecca J. Millett, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Everett Brownie Carson (D-Cumberland)
Matthew Pouliot (R-Kennebec)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Mark W. Lawrence, Chair (D-York)
David R. Miramant (D-Knox)
David Woodsome (R-York)

Environment and Natural Resources

Everett Brownie Carson, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Justin M. Chenette (D-York)
Robert A. Foley (R-York)

Health and Human Services

Geoffrey M. Gratwick, Chair (D-Penobscot)
Ned Claxton (D-Androscoggin)
Marianne Moore (R-Washington)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Commerce

Erin D. Herbig, Chair (D-Waldo)
Rebecca J. Millett (D-Cumberland)
Stacey K. Guerin (R-Penobscot)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

James F. Dill, Chair (D-Penobscot)
Louis Joseph Luchini (D-Hancock)
Paul T. Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Heather B. Sanborn, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Geoffrey M. Gratwick (D-Penobscot)
Robert A. Foley (R-York)

Judiciary

Michael E. Carpenter, Chair (D-Aroostook)
Shenna Bellows (D-Kennebec)
Lisa M. Keim (R-Oxford)

Labor and Housing

Shenna Bellows, Chair (D-Kennebec)
Mark W. Lawrence (D-York)
Stacey K. Guerin (R-Penobscot)

Marine Resources

David R. Miramant, Chair (D-Knox)
Eloise A. Vitelli (D-Sagadahoc)
Dana L. Dow (R-Lincoln)

State and Local Government

Ned Claxton, Chair (D-Androscoggin)
Susan A. Deschambault (D-York)
Paul T. Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis)

Taxation

Benjamin M. Chipman, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Heather B. Sanborn (D-Cumberland)
Matthew Pouliot (R-Kennebec)

Transportation

G. William Diamond, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Benjamin M. Chipman (D-Cumberland)
Bradlee Thomas Farrin (R-Somerset)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Louis Joseph Luchini, Chair (D-Hancock)
Erin D. Herbig (D-Waldo)
Scott W. Cyrway (R-Kennebec)

Sincerely,

S/Troy Dale Jackson

President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 18)

**SENATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 354, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Joint Rules:
Senator Nathan L. Libby of Androscoggin, Chair

Senator Eloise A. Vitelli of Sagadahoc
Senator Michael E. Carpenter of Aroostook
Senator Dana L. Dow of Lincoln
Senator Jeffrey L. Timberlake of Androscoggin Sincerely,
S/Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 19)
**SENATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 371, I have made the following appointments to the Government Oversight Committee:
Justin M. Chenette, Chair (D-York)
Linda F. Sanborn (D-Cumberland)
Nathan L. Libby (D-Androscoggin)
Paul T. Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis)
Lisa M. Keim (R-Oxford)
Jeffrey L. Timberlake (R-Androscoggin)
Sincerely,
S/Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 20)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 10, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 52-C, I am rescinding my appointment of Rebecca Smith of Brunswick, as a member of the public with demonstrated expertise and credentials in public health policy, and pleased to appoint the following individual to serve on the Marijuana Advisory Commission, effective immediately:
Scott M. Gagnon of Gray, Director of Operations for AdCare Educational Institute of Maine, as a member of the public with demonstrated expertise and credentials in public health policy. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 22)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 21, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 1-A, §11.4-A2, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission:
Representative Craig V. Hickman of Winthrop to seat 4, as Chair
Representative Stephen S. Stanley of Medway to seat 5
Representative Kathleen R. J. Dillingham of Oxford to seat 6
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 11)
**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0148**

December 18, 2018
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Please find enclosed certified copies of the final results from the November 6, 2018 General and Referendum Elections. Tabulations showing the results with municipal and county totals are posted on the Secretary of State's web site here: <http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/results/index.html>
Sincerely,
S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State
READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 21)
**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

December 11, 2018
Honorable Troy D. Jackson, President
Maine State Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker
Maine House of Representatives
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333
President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
Pursuant to 3 MRSA, §1000, the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation is pleased to submit its final report on tax expenditure review. Copies of the full report have been distributed to committees or individuals as directed by law and copies have

been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Others may access the full report on-line through the website of the Office of Fiscal and Program Review at <http://legislature.maine.gov/doc/2571>.

Sincerely,
S/Senator Dana L. Dow
Senate Chair
S/Representative Ryan D. Tipping
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Design and Construction of a New Fish Hatchery and To Improve Hatchery Infrastructure"

(H.P. 13) (L.D. 12)

Sponsored by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Infrastructure To Address Sea Level Rise"

(H.P. 17) (L.D. 16)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BLUME of York, DEVIN of Newcastle, DOUDERA of Camden, DUNPHY of Old Town, FECTEAU of Biddeford, JORGENSEN of Portland, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Prosecution of Crimes Involving Domestic Violence and Enhance Protection of Victims of Domestic Violence" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 19) (L.D. 18)

Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook and Representatives: BAILEY of Saco, COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PERRY of Calais, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham, TERRY of Gorham.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve Science and Engineering Education for Maine's Students"

(H.P. 15) (L.D. 14)

Sponsored by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BLUME of York, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, STEARNS of Guilford, Senator: POULIOT of Kennebec.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow Microgrids That Are in the Public Interest"

(H.P. 14) (L.D. 13)

Sponsored by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.

Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Provide Coverage for Abortion Services for MaineCare Members"

(H.P. 21) (L.D. 20)

Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BABINE of Scarborough, BAILEY of Saco, BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, BRYANT of Windham, CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FOLEY of Biddeford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Use of Electroconvulsive Therapy for Certain Populations"

(H.P. 22) (L.D. 21)

Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BABINE of Scarborough, BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, BRYANT of Windham, DENK of Kennebunk, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FOLEY of Biddeford, STOVER of Boothbay.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Notification of Proposed Rate Increases for Long-term Care Policies"

(H.P. 6) (L.D. 5)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWES of Kennebec and Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, COLLINGS of Portland, DOORE of Augusta, FOLEY of Biddeford, Senators: SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Enhance and Increase the Availability of Mental Health Providers in Maine" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 4) (L.D. 3)

Sponsored by Representative HANDY of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWES of Kennebec and Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, HEPLER of Woolwich, MADIGAN of Waterville, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PERRY of Calais, Senator: HERBIG of Waldo.

Bill "An Act To Provide for Municipalities To Allow Grocery Stores up to 10,000 Square Feet To Open on Thanksgiving, Easter and Christmas" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 16) (L.D. 15)

Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox.

Cosponsored by Senator HERBIG of Waldo and Representatives: HANINGTON of Lincoln, MORRIS of Turner, NADEAU of Winslow.

Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND COMMERCE** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND COMMERCE** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow and Recognize a Legal Name Change upon Marriage"

(H.P. 9) (L.D. 8)

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representative: DENK of Kennebunk.

Bill "An Act To Increase Juror Compensation"

(H.P. 10) (L.D. 9))

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representative: CARDONE of Bangor, Senators: BELLOWES of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Applied Shellfish Research"

(H.P. 5) (L.D. 4)

Sponsored by Representative ALLEY of Beals.

Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: DEVIN of Newcastle, TUELL of East Machias, Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Home Accessibility Tax Credit"

(H.P. 7) (L.D. 6)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PERRY of Calais, RECKITT of South Portland, STANLEY of Medway, TERRY of Gorham, TIPPING of Orono, VEROW of Brewer.

Bill "An Act To Exempt from Taxation Sales to Small Nonprofit Organizations"

(H.P. 23) (L.D. 22)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, FARNSWORTH of Portland, HANDY

of Lewiston, MADIGAN of Waterville, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, NADEAU of Winslow.

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, To Name a Bridge in the Town of Lincoln and the Town of Chester the Master Sergeant Gary Gordon Bridge

(H.P. 8) (L.D. 7)

Sponsored by Representative HANINGTON of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, PICKETT of Dixfield, Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, DILL of Penobscot, FARRIN of Somerset, POULIOT of Kennebec, ROSEN of Hancock.

Bill "An Act To Provide That Inspections of New Motor Vehicles Are Valid for 2 Years"

(H.P. 11) (L.D. 10)

Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Resolve, Designating a Portion of Route 1 in Downeast Maine the Hannah and Rebecca Weston Trail

(H.P. 18) (L.D. 17)

Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias.

Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, HANINGTON of Lincoln, JAVNER of Chester, PERRY of Calais, RECKITT of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Require Public School Buses To Be Equipped with School Bus Crossing Arms"

(H.P. 20) (L.D. 19)

Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, KORNFIELD of Bangor, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PIERCE of Falmouth, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TERRY of Gorham, Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, ROSEN of Hancock.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Acceptance of Maine Clean Election Act Campaign Contributions on State Websites"

(H.P. 12) (L.D. 11)

Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Maine Milk Commission**

Representative HICKMAN for the **Maine Milk Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asks leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 26: Producer Margins, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Milk Commission (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 25) (L.D. 24)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute

Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

Representative SCHNECK for the **Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asks leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 3: Maine Clean Election Act and Related Provisions, a Major Substantive Rule of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 24) (L.D. 23)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute

Government Oversight Committee

Representative MASTRACCIO for the **Government Oversight Committee** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 997, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations Reporting Requirements"

(H.P. 26) (L.D. 25)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 8)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 10:00 in the morning.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.
READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 9)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the returns of votes for the Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of the State for the political years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.
READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

At this point, the Speaker appointed the following members to the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Vote on the part of the House:

- Representative SCHNECK of Bangor
- Representative COOPER of Yarmouth
- Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop
- Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor
- Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell
- Representative STROM of Pittsfield
- Representative HANINGTON of Lincoln
- Representative ANDREWS of Paris
- Representative DOLLOFF of Rumford
- Representative ACKLEY of Monmouth

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 12)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Janet T. Mills and inform her that she has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the political years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.
READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

At this point, the Speaker appointed the following members on the part of the House to the Committee to wait upon the Honorable JANET T. MILLS, and inform her that she had been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the political years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:

- Representative BRYANT of Windham
- Representative VEROW of Brewer
- Representative PEBWORTH of Blue Hill
- Representative REED of Carmel
- Representative KINNEY of Knox
- Representative TUELL of East Machias
- Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship
- Representative RISEMAN of Harrison

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 25)

**SENATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 2, 2019
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
In compliance with Joint Order (S.P. 12) , I am pleased to appoint the following members to inform the Honorable Janet T. Mills that she has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the political years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Senator Rebecca J. Millett of Cumberland, Chair
Senator Eloise A. Vitelli of Sagadahoc
Senator Russell Black of Franklin

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 26)

**SENATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 2, 2019
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
In compliance with Joint Order (S.P. 9) , I am pleased to appoint the following members to the Gubernatorial Vote Committee:

Senator Louis J. Luchini of Hancock, Chair
Senator Erin D. Herbig of Waldo
Senator Ned Claxton of Androscoggin
Senator Susan A. Deschambault of York
Senator Paul T. Davis of Piscataquis
Senator Scott W. Cyrway of Kennebec
Senator Marianne Moore of Washington

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Subsequently, Representative BRYANT of Windham reported that the committee had delivered the message with which it was charged.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 24)

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE
ON GUBERNATORIAL VOTE**

January 2, 2019
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
The Joint Select Committee of the One Hundred and Twenty-Ninth Legislature on returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns, and plantations of this State for the political years 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 has attended to its duty and asks leave to report that the tabulation of the return of votes cast for Governor at the General Election held on November 6, 2018 as reported by the Secretary of State Dunlap, is a true and accurate account.

Sincerely,
S/Senator Louis J. Luchini
Senate Chair
S/Representative John C. Schneck
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Protect Health Care Coverage for Maine Families" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 10) (L.D. 1)

Bill "An Act To Increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the Minimum Amount Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance Policies Must Cover for Damage to Property"

(S.P. 11) (L.D. 2)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

The House recessed until 6:00 p.m.

(After Recess)

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

At this point, the Senate came and a Joint Convention was formed.

Augusta Civic Center

The 195th Maine Army National Guard Band performed.

The Franklin County Fiddlers performed.

The House was called to order by Speaker Gideon.

At this point, the Senate entered the auditorium and a Joint Convention was formed.

In Convention

The President of the Senate, the Honorable Troy D. Jackson in the Chair.

The Convention was called to order by the Chair

On motion of Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook, it was ORDERED, that a committee be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, the Chief Justice and Justices of the Maine Superior Court, the Chief Judge and Judges of the District Court; and the Federal Judges, inviting them to attend the Convention which has been convened for the purpose of administering to the Honorable Janet Trafton Mills, Governor-Elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify her to enter upon the discharge of her official duties.

The Chair appointed:

- The Senator from Aroostook, Senator CARPENTER
- The Senator from Kennebec, Senator BELLOWS
- The Senator from Oxford, Senator KEIM
- The Representative from Saco, Representative BAILEY
- The Representative from Kennebunk, Representative BABBIDGE
- The Representative from Bangor, Representative CARDONE
- The Representative from South Portland, Representative RECKITT
- The Representative from Portland, Representative TALBOT ROSS
- The Representative from Gardiner, Representative HARNETT
- The Representative from Vassalboro, Representative BRADSTREET
- The Representative from Caribou, Representative DEVEAU
- The Representative from Hamden, Representative HAGGAN
- The Representative from Friendship, Representative EVANGELOS

Subsequently, Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook, for the Committee, reported that the Committee had delivered the message with which they were charged and were pleased to report that the honorable members of the judiciary would attend forthwith.

At this point, the National Guard escorted the Judiciary to their seats.

At this point, the Chair welcomed members of clergy and tribal representative: Reverend Kenneth Lewis, Senior Pastor, Green Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in Portland, Ambassador Mauilan Dana of the Wabanaki Tribes of Maine, Rabbi Erica Asch, of Temple Beth El in Augusta and Father Frank Murray, Pastor, St. Paul's of the Apostle Parish in Bangor. The Chair also recognized the nominees of the Governor's cabinet and their guests.

The Chair recognized the Constitutional Officers-Elect and State Auditor of the State of Maine: The Honorable Mathew Dunlap, Secretary of State; the Honorable Aaron Frey, Attorney General-Elect; the Honorable Henry Beck, Treasurer-Elect; and the Honorable Pola Buckley, Auditor.

The Chair welcomed Former Governor John Baldacci and Karen Baldacci, Governor Joseph Brennan and Connie Brennan, and Governor Kenneth Curtis and Pauline Curtis.

The Chair welcomed to the Joint Convention family members of the Governor-Elect.

On motion of Senator BREEN of Cumberland, it was ORDERED, that a committee be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Janet Trafton Mills, Governor-Elect, and inform her that the two branches of the Legislature are in Convention assembled, ready to administer to her the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify her to enter upon the discharge of her official duties and receive such communication as she may be pleased to make.

The Chair appointed:

- The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Breen
- The Senator from Oxford, Senator Hamper
- The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Libby
- The Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Vitelli
- The Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow
- The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Timberlake
- The Representative from Eagle Lake, Representative Martin
- The Representative from Waterford, Representative Millet
- The Representative from Portland, Representative Moonen
- The Representative from Biddeford, Representative Fecteau
- The Representative from Oxford, Representative Dillingham
- The Representative from Presque Isle, Representative Stewart

Subsequently, Senator BREEN of Cumberland, for the Committee, reported that the Committee had delivered the message with which it was charged and was pleased to report that the Honorable Janet Trafton Mills, Governor-elect, will attend forthwith.

Herald Colonel Brenda Jordan announced the procession.

The Chair welcomed to the Joint Convention Governor-elect Janet Trafton Mills, accompanied by Chief Justice Saufley, Adjutant General Farnham and Herald Colonel Brenda Jordan.

At this point, the State Police Pipe and Drum Corps performed the "March to Maine Games."

The colors were presented by the Honor Guard, Maine National Guard.

The National Anthem was sung by Alain Igirneza.

The Invocation was given by Reverend Kenneth Lewis, Ambassador Maulian Dana and Rabbi Erica Asch.

Tribal Ambassador **DANA**: Good evening. I'm not a religious leader, per se, but I thought it made a lot of sense to have the voice of an indigenous woman in the room tonight and I am happy to be here and share in hopes of a new era maybe and, not because I've forgotten what's in the past but because I'm very hopeful for the future. Thank you. Thank you.

To Governor Mills, to the State of Maine and to honored guests, **(N-Dall-lee-wee-zee)** Maulian Dana, **(New-jay-ow Bahn-a-wab-skeg Ga-chee Wool-Ee-won-)**. My name is Maulian Dana. I am from the Penobscot Nation and I am so thankful to be here. Thanks. I find it humbling and a true honor to be here at this event tonight. As a woman of Maine and as a mother of two daughters; hi, Carmella, hi, Layla; I love you. The excitement I feel of a woman holding this sacred office is both inspiring and well overdue. Maine means a lot to me. I grew up on Indian Island, the Penobscot Nation, nestled in the center of our beautiful state. The Penobscot River not only surrounds our island, but gives us life with both the way it holds our history and protects our future. We hold ceremony at Katahdin, our sacred mountain which watches over us and reminds us that the ancestors are always with us and ready to give us advice when we need it. Nobody can own these elements, we believe that we are from them and to them we shall return. Taking care of Mother Earth means; taking care of one another. The Wabanaki nations of Maine, the Maliseet, the Micmac, the Passamaquoddy, and my home, the Penobscot, are not just the indigenous people of Maine, but also the carriers of truth of these lands and waters. This place is not just our homeland, it is our whole existence. When we see the terrors of environmental distress, disease, poverty, addiction, suicide and illnesses in our communities, it spurs us to action to protect the sacred and connect with those around us to find solutions to these things that truly plague us all. There is power in unity. When tribal nations are seen as sovereign bodies, we can work better with our relationship with other governments. When indigenous people are seen as people and not stereotypes or mascots, we can build on shared humanity. You're really going to like this next one, then. When cities and towns take the true and honorable step of celebrating Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday in October, we find truth and love in our neighbors and a foundation of trust and understanding. It is all about respect; all of it.

I want to thank Governor Mills for a genuine desire to listen to me during her campaign; for insight and conversation, for laughter and for some advice. And I want to thank her for taking a stand on behalf of our people when it comes to Indian mascots in Maine before she even took office. I have hope; yeah.

I do have great hope for continued efforts to reach common ground and attempt to mend the bonds between the indigenous nations of Maine and the governing entities. This will take time, not an easy fix. It takes motivation to listen to one another, it takes a meaningful seat at the table and it takes

open hearts and minds. I come here tonight with a genuine desire for all these things and I believe in the potential for reciprocity. In her book Braiding Sweetgrass, Robin Wall Kimmerer, a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, says transformation is not accomplished by waiting at the edge. I see a lot of people in here ready to take a big plunge.

I wish you all blessings on this very significant new year and may all your transformations be the light of tomorrow. **(Wool-Ee-won-ee Na-ga Mezin-dall-na-bem-na-walk)**. Thank you so much and all my relations. Thank you.

At this point, Former Poet Laureate, Wesley McNair, read an original work created for the inauguration.

At this point, Shy Paca, Natalia Mbadu, the Franklin County Fiddlers and the Portland String Quartet performed.

Thereupon, the Governor-elect, Janet Trafton Mills, before the presiding officer of the Joint Convention, the Honorable Troy D. Jackson, in the presence of both branches of the Legislature and the Justices, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution (grandchildren held the Bible) to qualify her to enter upon the discharge of her official duties.

I, JANET TRAFTON MILLS, DO SWEAR, THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND OF THIS STATE, SO LONG AS I SHALL CONTINUE A CITIZEN THEREOF, SO HELP ME GOD.

I, JANET TRAFTON MILLS, DO SWEAR, THAT I WILL FAITHFULLY DISCHARGE, TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITIES, THE DUTIES INCUMBENT ON ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MAINE, ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE, SO HELP ME GOD.

The Chair then called upon the Secretary of State, Mathew Dunlap, to read the proclamation

PROCLAMATION

The votes given on the sixth day of November last, in the cities and towns and plantations of the State of Maine for Governor, the returns of which have been made to the Office of the Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature which has declared a plurality thereof was given to Janet Trafton Mills, and that she is duly elected and that she, having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Maine constitution to qualify her to discharge the duties of that office, I, therefore, declare and make known to all persons in this state who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that effective at midnight Janet Trafton Mills is Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine, and that due obedience should be rendered to all her acts and commands as such.

GOD SAVE THE STATE OF MAINE

The Chair of the Convention then presented the Honorable Governor of the great State of Maine, Janet Trafton Mills, to the Convention, amid applause, the audience rising.

Governor **MILLS**: Thank you, thank you; thank you. Thank you so much. Madam Chief Justice, Madam Speaker, Mr. President, Members of the 129th Legislature and Members of the State and Federal Judiciary, former governors, honored tribal members and chiefs and members of the military, friends and family, honored guests and those 4,346 friends of mine on Facebook. I also draw your attention, in more serious vein, to the empty chair, empty seat in the military section which recognizes and honors all Maine service members who are currently deployed. It is with humility and gratitude that I stand before you this evening. I welcome you to a ceremony that represents both a change in the individual who occupies the office of the Chief Executive, and; and the peaceful passing of the torch of progress. There are many in this state who are the unsung, as poet Wes McNair has called them. They are the firefighters and teachers, the techies and hotel workers, the farmers and fishermen, the waiters and loggers and the barbers and millworkers of our towns. They are our friends; our neighbors. They are immigrants and laborers, veterans, people with disabilities, people from away, people we rely on every day and many who rely on us. This governorship is about them; the men and women of the State of Maine. This year, you know, for the first time in our state's 198-year-long history, after 74 men from York, Cumberland, Penobscot, Androscoggin Counties, finally you've elected a governor from Franklin County.

I am from the foothills of Maine, western Maine, which bred Margaret Chase Smith and Carrie Stevens and Cornelia Crosby, known as Fly Rod Crosby, who was the first; Maine's first Registered Guide in 1897, first registered guide, male or female, and who famously said I would rather fish any day than go to heaven. Sorry.

In recent weeks, I've received many letters. Eight-year-old Lucy wrote, quote, now I feel like I could become governor someday. On the morning after the election, one mother left a note in her daughter's lunchbox. It said Janet Mills won last night, it said; she's the first woman to be the governor in Maine ever. Think about all the things you can do. Love, Mom. I do think about all the things they can do, along with their brilliant brothers, uncles and fathers. But, truly, this milestone, this year, this milestone, this; one day it will be all commonplace, like drinking milk or eating toast. When future generations read of this day, they'll wonder what all the fuss was about. Sometimes our culture moves slowly in the stream of change. Streams, like the people of Maine, change direction on occasion to find the best way forward. Many days I awake to see the mist rising from the Sandy River as it steers its course down to the Kennebec, the winter's breath; unveiling a new day in my hometown, a new day in this state. Then I hear the familiar sounds of chickadees, church chimes and Jake brakes. This is home in Maine. The Sandy River pours out of Rangeley Lake and meanders through my town and gains momentum on its way to the Kennebec and there it joins other tributaries to become a powerful waterway, a loud home to eagles and salmon, stripers and sturgeon on its course to Merrymeeting Bay. The Sandy River connects my town to those upstream and downstream and we become one with the rest of Maine, linked by water, woods and land. Former governor Joshua Chamberlain described this link back in 1876. He said this great and wide sea, these beaches and bays and harbors; these things invite the brave, the noble. Thought

comes here and dwells. They will love the land, he said, and the land will give back strength. The Wabanaki people know this bond. Their wisdom was passed along by people like Joseph Attean, legendary governor of the Penobscot Nation, a brave, openhearted, and forbearing individual who guided Henry David Thoreau in his first moose hunt through the vast and primitive wilderness to Chesuncook Lake. The plaque that overlooks Attean Lake, named for him, reads rise free from care before the dawn and seek adventure. Today, we rise; a new day before us, and seek adventure.

But today our connection to the land is endangered. After 80 years of studies warning that carbon emissions are destroying our environment, the danger is now at our doorstep. The Gulf of Maine is warming faster than almost any other saltwater body in the world, driving our lobsters up the coast. Our coastal waters are growing acidic, temperatures fluctuating, the sea levels rising, endangering our shellfish industry while our forests are less suitable for spruce and fir and more suitable for ticks. Climate change is threatening our jobs, damaging our health and attacking our historic relationship to the land and the sea we love. Tonight I say enough. Enough with studies, talk and debate; it is time to act. Our administration will embrace clean energy, change our modes of transportation, weatherize homes and businesses, and reach a goal of 50% of our electricity coming from Maine renewable resources. These actions will create good-paying jobs, preserve our environment, and welcome young people to build a green future here in Maine. And, by the way, when you drive by the Blaine House in the coming weeks, look for some new solar panels that we're going to install. Why not?

We need a healthy environment and we need healthy people. Maine voters agreed, which is why they voted to expand Medicaid. Hospitals, nurses, doctors and businesses all agree as well; health care is for everyone, not just the well-to-do. It is for the small business; the small businesses struggling to pay high health insurance bills, it is for the family on the brink of bankruptcy because of one illness, accident or medical mishap. It is for the community that takes up collections in a jar at the corner store to pay for a neighbor's medical costs. It is for people like my friend, Patty. My friend, Patty, was a vibrant, intelligent and charitable woman, an athlete and mother of three wise children, loved by all, and uninsured. She died needlessly from breast cancer, a disease that could've been diagnosed easily, early, treated and cured. And Patty's story is not unique. Many of you have friends like Patty. This is unacceptable.

In the memory of Patty and thousands of others, our new administration will expand Medicaid and pay for it sustainably. We will work to ensure that every person has primary care. We will control the cost of health insurance and rein in the cost of prescription drugs.

A major part of the health care crisis is the opiate epidemic. History will note that we have abandoned an entire generation of people to this preventable disease. The allure of opiates can fill a hole in the human heart caused by loneliness, stress, hopelessness. Even as I speak, there is someone within the sound of my voice about to consume a deadly drug, jeopardizing themselves, their friends, their families, their communities. If that person is listening, please know that I and many others are here for you. You are not alone. We will confront this disease together. We will offer a helping hand, not pass judgement. We want you to succeed and to survive. We want to welcome you home again. It is time for action. Narcan widely available, medication-assisted treatment,

recovery coaches; these things will be a reality. And in sad memory of the 418 Maine people who lost their lives to drug overdose in 2017, our administration will create the Director of Opiate Response, a person who will marshal the collective power and resources of this state to stem the tide of this epidemic. And part of that effort will be to fully engage with people in our own communities. Take it outdoors, as one of our favorite retailers puts it. Renewing the healing bond we have with the land and our environment.

In addition to protecting the medical health of our people, we will also advance the economic health of our people. To employers, entrepreneurs and innovators with new ideas for forest products; aquaculture, recreation, renewables and everything in between, I say you are welcome here. We will offer a world-class workforce. You know, fewer than half of Maine people, Maine adults, now hold a postsecondary credential, a college degree or a professional certification, yet two out of three jobs requires such credentials. This imbalance is why we have at the same time employers saying they can't find workers and workers saying they are stuck in dead-end jobs. Education is the key to helping our people achieve their full potential. Attracting talented young people to move here and make Maine their home will be a top priority of my administration and, from now on, yes, a sign will greet all those arriving in our state at the Kittery line and it will say simply, welcome home.

They tell me I have to get permission from the turnpike. I'll work on it.

I will work with the new administration, the new Legislature to achieve the best education for our people; from preschool through college and beyond, beginning with full and fair funding for our schools including our career and technical centers. And we will treat our teachers with the respect and dignity they deserve. There's a few teachers here. Are there any teachers? McCray.

There is no higher priority than our children and with so many people still at Long Creek, with children waiting for critical mental health services and some even losing their lives to violence in their own homes; it's high time we put children's health and safety first. I'm going to start with one simple step; calling together the Children's Cabinet for the first time in years to tackle these issues. Simple.

Well, these are some of the challenges we know about, but we must also be prepared for the unexpected. We know that a recession is possible in the next few years. It is. We know that someday robots, drones, driverless cars, broadband and 3D printing will radically alter the way Maine people live, learn, and work, and so we need to be ready. Now, I made my own predictions back at the turn of the century, the last century. In the year 1999, I wrote down a journal; a list on a journal, a list of the things I thought would stay in the new millennium and things I thought might go away. I predicted, for instance, in 50 years there would no longer be the following things: Cash money, paper bags, spare tires, lint, dust, and pantyhose. But in 50 years, I said, there would likely still be Stephen King bestsellers, Baxter State Park, people from away, and Strom Thurmond. As you can see, I can't rely on myself too well to predict the future. That's why I'm enlisting help. I'm following the advice of writer Kurt Vonnegut, who said, quote, he said a lot of things; but he also said, quote, every government ought to have a department of the future. And so, my administration will create an Office of Innovation and the Future. This office will dive into major policy changes,

foster collaboration and propose concrete workable solutions. Let's look ahead for a change.

Now, here's how I want to govern, because we're all in this together. We all want Maine to have a beautiful environment and happy people and prosperous communities, and although we all agree on a goal, we sometimes differ on how to get there. We are Republicans, Greens, Democrats, Libertarians, Independents, and so many more besides. But this is something I know well myself. I mean, every Mills family reunion is like a meeting of the United Nations. Everyone has an opinion and everyone wants the microphone. But these differences are what make my family strong, they make every family strong, they make Maine strong. Our diversity is a virtue, one that we should harness to advance good public debate and good public policy. We welcome the voices of newcomers also to the public conversation. The young, the immigrants, people of different cultures, people of color, people of different orientations; all are important members of the Maine family. My town, like many of yours, my town has always had a commons where everybody would graze their sheep and cattle in the old days and sell produce and open a farmer's market now and where we'd all enjoy a concert on a summer evening. Our state needs to find its common ground, expand our horizons; become one Maine again. From the tree streets of Lewiston to the rolling fields of the County, from the Bold Coast to the Height of Land, from Cross Rock in Allagash to Portland's Promenades, our people will once again find unity of purpose. We will bring back Maine's tradition of civil discourse expressed by Governor Israel Washburn, a friend of Abraham Lincoln's, in his 1861 inaugural. He said waving aside petty schemes and unseemly wrangles; let us rise if we can to the height of the great argument which duty and patriotism so eloquently addressed to us.

You know, I have fallen in love a few times in my life and there are those in this audience whom I have loved for long and for years, friends and family and some newly loved. But it is the bond we all share for our state, our children longing for security, newcomers seeking to belong, for all those who feel left behind, who long for respect and dignity, one thing we all love is our great state. And when a family, a community, a state believe in each other, help each other, love each other, great things can happen. Maine people have greatness within them. Maine is our home. We are connected by the rivers and the land, the forest and the mountains, we are connected by love. We are strengthened by those connections. We are one Maine, undivided, one family; from Calais to Bethel, from York to Fort Kent. And so we meet this evening free from care, the heirs of Joseph Attean, Joshua Chamberlain, Fly Rod Crosby, and Israel Washburn, and tomorrow we rise before the dawn like the mist over the Sandy River and seek adventure, with hope in our hearts and love in our souls for the brand-new day. And to all of you, and to all of the people of Maine, I say welcome home. Welcome home. Thank you.

At the conclusion of the address, Benediction was given by Father Frank Murray of St. Paul's of the Apostle of Bangor.

The Governor then withdrew amid the applause from the Convention, the audience rising.

The purpose for which this Convention was assembled having been accomplished, the Chair declared the same dissolved.

(After the Joint Convention)

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative NADEAU of Winslow, the House adjourned at 8:36 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 9th, 2019 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 8).