

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE

**JOINT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE LEGISLATURE'S
DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATHS OF MINNESOTA
REPRESENTATIVE MELISSA HORTMAN AND HER HUSBAND
MARK HORTMAN**

WHEREAS, we have learned that targeted shootings of two Minnesota state lawmakers took place on the morning of Saturday, June 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Representative Melissa Hortman and her husband, Mark, were fatally shot inside their home in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota in the early morning; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Senator John A. Hoffman and his wife, Yvette, were also shot multiple times in an earlier attack allegedly by the same assailant, but Mr. Hoffman and his wife are expected to survive; and

WHEREAS, a suspect in the shootings has been apprehended; and

WHEREAS, both state lawmakers who were shot served critical roles in the Minnesota State Legislature, with Mrs. Hortman having served as Speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives for a six-year period that ended this year and Mr. Hoffman, a fourth-term state senator, chairing the Senate Human Services Committee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, pause in our deliberations to extend to you, the members of the Minnesota State Legislature, our deepest condolences for the deaths of your colleague State Representative Melissa Hortman and her husband, Mark, and we offer our prayers and wishes for the well-being of State Senator John Hoffman and his wife, Yvette; and be it further

RESOLVED: That we condemn political violence and wish to express our horror, grief and outrage and our concern for the victims of these shootings; and be it further

RESOLVED: That we extend to you our goodwill and hope for healing and our thanks for your service, and we offer our support in any work you undertake to ameliorate the divisions in our civic life that give rise to these acts of violence.