

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-TWO

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE EXCEPTIONAL
EFFORTS OF LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES, SENIOR CARE
FACILITIES, REHABILITATION FACILITIES, ASSISTED
LIVING FACILITIES AND CARE WORKERS DURING THE
PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, long-term care facilities, senior care facilities, rehabilitation facilities and assisted living facilities as well as care workers have remained dedicated to providing quality care and quality of life for older individuals and individuals with disabilities in Maine throughout the great challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the well-being and safety of older individuals and individuals with disabilities in the State depend in large part on the unfailing dedication of care workers, including nurses, home health aides, personal support specialists, certified nursing assistants, direct support professionals, certified residential medication aides and mental health rehabilitation technicians, all of whom provide daily, conscientious, professional hands-on care in care facilities and individuals' homes; and

WHEREAS, care workers have been instrumental in promoting and safeguarding the physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual well-being of older individuals and individuals with disabilities throughout the very difficult separation from family members and friends due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, care workers have worked diligently to provide care and comfort to older individuals and individuals with disabilities in long-term care facilities, senior care facilities, rehabilitation facilities, assisted living facilities and in individuals' homes during outbreaks of COVID-19 at risk to their health and even their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize and honor the heroic service performed by these institutions and caregivers who greatly enrich the public good.