

Senator Carney, Representative Moonen and Honorable Members of the joint standing committee on judiciary,

Hello my name is Raychel Ward and I am from Livermore falls, I again want to thank you for being here today. I know the topics you have heard this week are heavy to say the least and I personally want to thank you for hearing us the people of Maine. I am here in support of LD771. I would further add if the option exists that healthcare providers shall avoid the use of drugs that may cloud a womens judgment until the abortion is completed. I say this because in the 5 years of street ministry I was involved in at the Planned Parenthood on Congress street in Portland to often we saw women basically needing to be carried out of the clinic due to the amount of medication given to them. I also support this bill because at anytime in a hospital setting no matter the procedure you may withdraw consent at anytime prior to the procedure beginning why should it be any different in one of these settings?

I thank you once again for being here today and considering our elevated voices in the capital.