Kinna Thakarar Cape Elizabeth LD 2283

Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee,

As a mother, a resident of Maine, and a local infectious disease and addiction medicine physician, I urge you to vote "ought to pass" for LD 2283 to adopt a red flag policy—a true Extreme Risk law—immediately.

True Extreme Risk laws have proven to be effective in keeping guns out of the hands of people in crisis. We do not want a repeat of what happened in Lewiston , when we have the chance to prevent tragedies in the future. As an infectious disease physician, I have also treated patients for serious infectious complications from trauma related to firearm violence. As a mom, I want to rest assured that our community's children do not die needlessly from firearm violence.

I urge you to support LD 2283 for the safety of Mainers. Thank you. Sincerely,

Dr. Kinna Thakarar Cape Elizabeth, ME