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LD 146

Dear Representative Cloutier,

I am writing to express my strong support for LD 146, which proposes crucial updates to Maine's historic tax credit program—without any impact on the state budget.

As an architect based in Portland, I have had the privilege of working on dozens of historic buildings throughout Maine including in Lewiston. These projects often solely depend on historic tax credits to remain financially viable. With rising construction costs and many large historic structures from our industrial past sitting underutilized, reasonably increasing the tax incentives as outlined in this legislation, is essential.

Thank you for your efforts to advance this important measure. Strengthening Maine's historic tax credit program is vital to preserving the architectural heritage that defines our state.

Sincerely,

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