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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee Judiciary,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the committee. I am writing in strong support of LD 260, the Maine Equal Rights Amendment. My name is Gloria Aponte Clarke and I am a resident of Portland. This amendment is more important than ever to make sure that all Mainers have equal rights under the law. Our constitutional rights need to be protected and this can be done by voting "ought to pass" on LD260. The passage of LD 260 will assure the basic rights needed today to a constitution which was written before all Mainers were citizens. The passage of LD 260 will remedy this inaccuracy.

Thank you for your service, Gloria Aponte Clarke Portland, Maine