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LD 260

Honorable Legislators of the state of Maine,

I am writing to you today as a born and bred Mainer, who has had family living along our great coastal state since the 1600's, and who has traveled in other places before returning to my pine trees and rocky shores. It is with this spirit of Maine - of individuality, of strength, and of leadership - that I am writing to you in support of LD 260. Mainers know that the color, creed, birthplace, faith, gender, health, or whom they love should never change the intrinsic worth and value of a human. We have proven over and over again that individual liberty is a deeply held belief. We had led elections where our people spoke loudly about personal choice and privacy. We understand that our neighbor has the right to carve out the path of their own life, and that though they are all different, these paths must be protected to the fullest extent.

LD 260 now stands before us - before our individuality, our strength, and our leadership - and asks that we put words into action. It asks us to declare as part of our most sacred documents that all Mainers stand on equal footing. It asks us to reclaim that stalwart and unshakeable belief in our community from Fort Kent to Kittery - where the only measure of a person is not in judgement of their perceived differences, but in the understanding that we survive each winter together.

Maine has long been forgotten or ignored (or called part of Canada) but the fact remains that we are a beacon for the country. And so I urge the legislators of Maine to vote for an equal future for everyone in our state! Vote for a Maine in which all live freely and safely! Vote in favor of LD 260 to truly live up to our expectations of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness!

All of Maine, for all of our Mainers. Dirigo!