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LD 956

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Transportation Committee
Maine State Legislature

Dear Members of the Transportation Committee,

My name is Denise Barker, and I am a resident of Calais and the Economic Development Director for Calais and Baileyville. I am writing to express my strong support for LD 956, which would extend the Down East Sunrise Trail.

The expansion of this trail would provide tremendous benefits to our community. It would create new recreational opportunities for families, outdoor enthusiasts, and tourists, boosting local businesses and encouraging economic growth. Additionally, the trail would promote healthy lifestyles and outdoor activity while preserving the natural beauty of our region. Personally, my family and I would use the trail for biking, walking, and enjoying the outdoors, and I know many others in the community who would benefit as well.

I urge you to support LD 956 and vote "Ought to Pass" to help strengthen our communities and improve access to outdoor recreation in Down East Maine. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Denise Barker