Cynthia Marten South Portland LD 252

To: Honorable Craig Hickman Honorable Laura Supica, Co-Chairs Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee

Date: April 11, 2025

Re: LD252 An Act to Withdraw from the National Popular Vote Compact

Hearing: April 14, 2025. 10:00 a.m.

My name is Cynthia Marten. I am a resident of South Portland. I am writing to ask you to oppose LD252.

I am in favor of the national popular vote because it makes every vote in a presidential election equal and relevant. It also ensures that the winner of the popular vote always wins the election.

This corrects three major issues with the current way of counting.

Every vote will matter, the presidency will go the candidate with the most votes, and it will encourage candidates to campaign in every state.

I am originally from Iowa and I understand the excitement generated for voting by having the ability to see and interact with the candidates in person.

Please keep in mind that Americans and Mainers have have consistently supported NPV. Polls in 2020 indicating 59% of voters in both Maine districts support NPV. I strongly urge the committee to vote against LD 252. Sincerely,

Cynthia Marten

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