



**Testimony of Glenn Adams in Support of LD 1549
“Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding the Use
and Oversight of Transportation-related Revenues”**

Senator Nangle, Representative Crafts, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, my name is Glenn Adams, and I am a resident of Oakland. I am the Business Development Director and an employee-owner at Sargent Corporation, and I am submitting this testimony in support of LD 1549.

Sargent Corporation has a long history building transportation infrastructure of all types in Maine, beginning nearly 100 years ago in the small town of Alton. Today, May 1, 2025, we achieved another milestone, celebrating 12 years as a 100% employee-owned company. Of our more than 500 employees working in five states along the east coast, over 360 are fortunate enough to call Maine home.

In 2024 our company was honored to receive the Governor’s Award for Business Excellence in the Rural Revitalization category. Many of our Maine employees live in rural areas and work on critical transportation projects. Currently we are starting a \$16 million project on Route 1 in Milbridge and Cherryfield and are close to opening the \$84 million I-395/Route 9 Connector project in Brewer, Holden, and Eddington. Both of these projects will create safer roads and more efficient transportation of goods and services in those geographic areas. Without reliable transportation funding for projects like these, the ability to predict future workload and keep our workers close to home and their families is in jeopardy.

For too long Maine has relied on bonding and band-aiding to try and keep up with improvements to our transportation infrastructure. The 2025 Infrastructure Report Card issued by the American Society of Civil Engineers is evidence of this. It is beyond time to make a serious change by protecting the oversight and long-term funding for our transportation future. Let’s do what is right for the future of our state.

I am asking you to vote “ought to pass” on LD 1549.

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