To: Senator Anne Carney and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

Date: June 11, 2025

RE: LD 1378, An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act

Good Afternoon Senator Carney and members of the Committee.

My name is Stacy McCracken from Woodstock and I am writing in strong opposition to LD 1378.

I'm sure this bill was introduced with best intentions to protect Maine citizens in the aftermath of the tragic Lewiston shooting. However, there is no single policy or bill that will end all gun violence. Maine already has a "yellow flag law", which prior to the horrific shooting, was not utilized as it should have been. Using laws already in effect should be the first step in trying to stem gun violence. Adding extreme laws as LD 1378 would violate not only Maine's constitution, but the United States Constitution. Maine's constitution states the "right to bear arms" shall never be questioned. LD 1378 violates these protections. Governor Mills also opposed this proposal saying it will "undermine" current Maine laws.

This bill would violate four different United States constitutional rights of Maine people: 1. The right to bear arms. 2. The right to due process, 3. The right to face one's accusers and 4. The right against unreasonable seizure of property.

Please oppose LD 1378 as "Ought Not to Pass" to protect Mainer's Constitutional rights.

Thank you for your time and consideration.