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## Public Hearing Testimony: Opposing LD 1619 on March 1, 2023

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Good Day. My name is Laurice Baddour, and I'm grateful to stand and remain standing, representing the voice of virtuous women, testifying in today's public hearing. I live in, and am an active resident of, Richmond.

Greetings, Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, Honorable Members of The Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. I reached out to each of you via phone calls, emails, and some hand-written cards *in opposition* to LD 1619.

Over the last 13 years, I have labored nationally and internationally, educating and counseling, both publicly in large areas, and privately behind closed doors, multiple hundreds of completely devastated and traumatized women, men, and families. I've sat with and shared tears with *too* many, in their ashes. Unable to move forward with their lives, they are suffering from Post-Abortion Traumatic Syndrome (PATS), which affects the mind, body, soul, spirit, and *all* relationships. They each bought into the *myth of "safe and effective"* for personal *gain*, and their abortions *terminated* in endless *pain*. *NO* Mainer, regardless of resilience, is immune from this regrettable, lifelong ball and *chain*.

Abortion, *regardless* of time, condition, or justification is still *murder* - whether or not a law states it - from conception to birth. *Blood money, always* at the core of abortion, is a greenback deceiver, betrayer, schemer, manipulator, and lunging opportunist that aims at the shocked, scared, confused, broken, lost, or desperate woman *and* man.

LD 1619 is a *hideous assault* on every Mainer. The Pine Tree State is *not* tolerating third-trimester abortion - regardless of which side of the aisle one is in. Let's *not* make history by leaving excessive innocent bloodstains in the hands of our legislators for all time, from the slaughter of our viable babies. Let's *not* leave bloodshed on the heart of every provider, mother, father, family member, supporter, or abortion participant, including the paying accessory to the hitman "service" or product. Let's *not* be the Death Destination for pregnant pre-abortive mothers who would target Vacationland, first to lie in a facility to kill her child, then to lie on the beach to lie to herself that she will be OK.

Maine, *let's* make history by *Voting with Virtue*, replacing the visceral, vicious, and violent. *Let's* take a good look at the abused term "*medical necessity*". *Let's abort LD 1619* and *ALL* abortion bills in Maine, producing a domino effect in our nation, and in all the nations.

Thank you.