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Testimony of Representative Sophie Warren introducing
**L.D. 862, Resolve, to Honor Scarborough Veterans by Renaming the Pine
Point Crossing Bridge the Scarborough Veterans Memorial Bridge**
Before the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

Good afternoon, Chair Nangle, Chair Crafts, and respected colleagues of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. I appreciate the opportunity to present **L.D. 862, Resolve, to Honor Scarborough Veterans by Renaming the Pine Point Crossing Bridge the Scarborough Veterans Memorial Bridge.**

This proposal represents a simple way to honor our Scarborough veterans, supported not only by every legislator representing a part of our Scarborough community, but also endorsed unanimously by our local Scarborough Town Council. Please see the letter attached from the Town Council attached to this testimony.

Additionally, I was heartened by conversations in past weeks within my community reflecting thoughtful support of this measure. During a recent meeting of the local Pine Point Association, the part of my district most directly impacted by this bill, we discussed how this crossing is the connecting point between the Pine Point region and the rest of our town, and what it meant to make this change. Some had never realized the name of the bridge, while others who did, understood it to be a great message to communicate through this change on behalf of the Pine Point community.

This bill is a part of a larger effort to honor our veterans by renaming several bridges across our state in this way. There are so many ways our veterans deserve to see our state honor them. I want to thank and credit my town's leadership in helping to bring our community into these efforts in this way to do so. I also thank former Senate Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, Benjamin Chipman and Calista Cross for their work in this effort and echo our town's thanks for "[their] dedication to serving and recognizing our Veterans."

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.



TOWN OF
SCARBOROUGH, MAINE



January 9, 2025

Senator Ben Chipman
Chair, Transportation Committee
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Scarborough Veterans Memorial Bridge

Dear Senator Chipman:

At the Scarborough Town Council meeting held on January 8, 2025, the Council voted unanimously in favor of recommending that the Pine Point Crossing, Bridge 5260 [B&M RR & Snow Canning Road] - located on Pine Point Road, be changed to the "Scarborough Veterans Memorial Bridge".

We had been approached by Calista Cross in November with this request. We thank her for her dedication to serving and recognizing our Veterans.

Thank you for your support in recognizing our Veterans.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Hall
Town Manager

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