## Testimony of Andre Levesque In favor of LD253,LD682,LD886,LD887,LD1007,LD1154

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and distinguished members of the Maine Judiciary Committee,

My name is Andy Levesque. I live in Gorham.

I am speaking to you this morning in favor of LD253, LD682, LD886, LD887, LD1007 and LD1154.

As a devout Catholic, a member of the Knights of Columbus and a Board member of Maine Right to Life.

These bills, If passed would affirm the parental rights to raise their child without outside interference.

It would stop Maine Taxpayers from funding the brutal practice of killing and dismembering a viable child in his or her mothers womb. A practice that many here are calling HEALTHCARE. (Certainly not for the child.)

At the least, It would return Maine Law to the time before the Passing of LD1619 and LD227, Laws that the majority of Mainers did not agree with but this legislature disregarded.

It would educate women about the abortion pill by a licensed professional and the reversal process, should she elect to save her child.

Should a mother opt for a chemical abortion, safeguards should be in place to protect her from physical harm that could follow the procedure.

Maine is blessed to have many pregnancy resource centers that are willing to help mothers before the birth of their child and after with the support necessary to nurture the beautiful family they now have.

LD1154 will explain options available to a mother by a health care professional should she be diagnosed with a lethal fetal anomaly. In that situation a list of perinatal hospice providers will be offered to her.

The citizens of Maine look to you as you make laws to protect them, lets not forget our unborn future citizens of this state. I urge you to vote passage of these bills. Thank You . Andy Levesque Gorham Maine