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My name is Meg Lambrych, I live and vote in Rockport, Maine.

I'm a community health nurse and freelance journalist. As nurses, we're governed by a strict code of ethics that dictate how we interact with our patients, colleagues, and our communities. But in that document, and indeed throughout all my nursing career one value is stressed above all others: advocacy.

Indeed, the American Nurses Association says that advocacy—both for our patients and our profession—is a pillar of nursing.

But looking around America today, you wouldn't know it. My profession—known for its stellar track record of trust with the communities we serve—has chosen to be utterly silent as genocide is live streamed into our phone with crystal clarity. And now, as a lawless, extra judicial secret police force rips our neighbors from their homes and kills or brutalizes anyone who dares to question their authority—my nursing leadership and many Maine citizens are quiet in the face of this lawless injustice.

As a Maine citizen I implore you to divest from any entities that profit from war, genocide, or ICE. No attempts at manufactured consent will un-radicalize a US population that has seen with our own eyes the terror we have long exported abroad.

There can be no advocacy without action and no leadership without risk. So we ask you today to stand against this tyranny with courage and forge a different path forward for us all.

Please support LD 1383. Thank you.