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Good morning distinguished members of the Committee on Judiciary. I wish to add my testimony to the record today. My name is Michael Parker. I am a resident of the Town of Strong. I am writing to voice my very strong support for LD 1052 - "An Act To Protect the Firearm Use and Possession Rights of Maine Citizens during an Emergency".

I do not need to go further than point to our recent pandemic situation and the attempts by Governor Mills and others to refuse to classify stores supporting the use of the Second Amendment as 'non-essential' to show why this law is needed. In a state of emergency, a firearm is every bit as important a tool as a mask, saw, clean water...during Hurricane Katrina, citizens WERE disarmed. That must not be a power permitted to ANY elected or bureaucratic official. There is NO situation where Constitutional rights can legally be denied to the US citizen, especially lacking due process at the individual level. Though already NOT legal, Maine should re-affirm and codify this regardless.

Please vote YES to support LD 1052 - "An Act To Protect the Firearm Use and Possession Rights of Maine Citizens during an Emergency".

Thank you.