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Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services 100 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senate Chair Sanborn, House Chair Tepler, and members of the HCIFS Committee,

As a reproductive endocrinologist providing care to Maine patients seeking infertility treatment, I am writing to express my strong support for An Act Relative To Access To Fertility Care (LD 1539).

With headquarters in Reading, Massachusetts, Fertility Centers of New England provides comprehensive reproductive health care throughout New England, including satellite practices in Bangor and Portland, Maine (opening soon).

My years in reproductive medicine have shown me how deeply challenging it is for couples to experience infertility and/or pregnancy loss. This suffering is magnified when they do not have access to insurance coverage and need to pay out of pocket to try to build their family.

The fertility preservation coverage in LD 1539 is also critical. Patients that are facing serious medical conditions such as cancer should have the ability to pursue future parenthood.

Please feel free to contact me at hillj@FertilityCenter.com if I can be helpful to the Committee members or staff. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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