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Senator Bailey, Representative Perry, and Members of the Health Coverage Insurance and Financial Services Committee, I'm James Swan, I live in Waldoboro, and I urge you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 227.

I grew up in a home with two sisters and my mother. Our extended family includes dozens of aunts and cousins, and the thought that these intelligent, hardworking, and devoted women might one day be stripped of their ability to make decisions about their own bodies and reproductive care is anathema to me.

Everyone should be able to get the medical care they need in Maine. Reproductive health care and gender-affirming care is life-saving medical care. With increasing attacks on reproductive and gender-affirming care across the country, Maine lawmakers must act to protect health care providers and access to care that is legal in Maine.

Please vote Ought to Pass on LD 227. Thank you.

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