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Good afternoon Sen. Curry, Rep. Gere, and to all of the esteemed members of the committee. My name is Sue Hawes and I live in Portland. I am a Volunteer Advocate speaking on behalf of AARP Maine. I am also own rental property. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

I don't have to tell this committee how important the ADU movement is to people like my husband and I as we look into the future while wanting to age in place. We currently live in a third floor apartment and are excited to have an ADU built in our yard in coming years for our own "tiny house" residence.

We appreciate all of the work this committee has done to create new housing opportunities and urge the committee to vote Ought to Pass. Thank you for working on this matter.