Rock and Bernadette LaCroix Oakland LD 1704

We are residents of Oakland, Maine and are lucky to have a daughter and granddaughter living near us. When I protest and raise my voice it is to protect their rights and future. I am writing today to urge you to oppose all anti-trans legislation that is currently before this committee. These bills are seeking to address a problem that does not exist. They are a poor use of the legislature's time and are counter to the values of our community. All children should be treated with respect through use of a chosen name and pronouns. All children should have equal opportunities to participate in athletes and community programs in a way that aligns with their identity. All people should have access to the health care they need to be happy and healthy. All people should be protected from discrimination. I urge you to reject these proposals and vote "ought not to pass" for each.