May 8, 2025

Senator Carney, Co-Chair Representative Kuhn, Co-Chair Members of the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary, Maine Legislature

Re: Opposition to LD 233, LD 380, LD 868, LD 1002, LD 1134, LD 1337, LD 1432, and LD 1704

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Members:

I write to oppose the many bills with hearings being held on May 8, 2025, because each bill would reverse hard-fought dignities of Maine people whose genders do not conform to the expectations of some others.

I was born in Maine, and have lived for most of my life in eastern and central Maine. Since I was a young man, I have believed that Maine was truly anchored in a culture of "Live, and let live." I urge you to vote to allow trans people to live life to its fullest, without fear, without discrimination, and without an unsolicited spotlight.

Please vote to celebrate differences, to applaud courage, and to embrace all Maine people. Please recognize medals to deserving winners, and please help coach all who compete to aim for their personal best.

Thank you.

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