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Today at a meeting of the medical staff at the hospital where I practice as a physician, I learned that Maine Med in Portland currently has ~100 support staff not coming to work, for fear of ICE. These are staff who cook food, clean the buildings and offices, etc. How well can a hospital function to provide health care, without these services?

Your and our children and grandchildren and all posterity will look back on what we each did, or didn't do, in this crisis.

On a number of occasions, I have stopped at highway accidents, to offer my services as a surgeon. I have never been treated by first responders in the manner that the two physicians bystanders were treated by ICE in Minnesota, when ICE murdered Renee Good and Alex Pretti.

Expanding federal fascism (AG Bondi demanding a state's voter rolls, for example!) threatens the continued existence of our country as a democratic Republic.

As my new bumper sticker reads (which I know changes no one's mind, but makes me feel better): "If you ever wondered what you would have done in 1930s Germany, you're doing it now."

As individual legislators, and collectively by majority vote, you can, and should, do something.

Don't sit on the sidelines. Don't punt. Be like Patriots QB Drake Maye, and put yourself on the line (in his case, his actual body), when the rest of us need you to.

Please don't say, for example, "this is a federal issue, not a state one," or other similar cop-outs.

Thanks for your work. Help keep Maine safe from ICE abuses. Do your part, at our state level, to save our Republic.

I urge you to support LD 2106.

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