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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Ellen Grant and I live in Portland. I am writing to express my deep concern about the anti-trans referendum. I believe it is an extreme ban that doesn't belong in Maine, nor is it needed. Our children are Maine's future and this referendum stands to discriminate against a small group of vulnerable children who just happen to have been born trans. This referendum, if passed, will create additional stressors and even life-threatening risks for these children. The responsibility of our schools is to help ALL of our children grow into healthy adults. Our state laws must protect the civil rights of ALL children.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee.