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As a resident for over 40 years, I have experienced and supported distinctive examples of courageous, independent actions in state government. I have worked closely with African immigrant communities that have brought cultural diversity and many skills in their positive contributions to our state, with collaboration and creativity from several state agencies. In these turbulent, divisive times, I feel the urgency of collective voices and actions to support human rights in all forms and at all levels of social, political, and economic life. To maintain these values, Maine leaders must bring their courage and intentions to divest from any companies that promote and demonstrate political oppression, from apartheid to genocide, both in the US and beyond, most notably in Gaza. I urge legislative leaders to uphold cultural diversity and inclusivity, with a strong sense of justice, by passing LD1383.