Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, based in New York City, which is celebrating Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month, June 2017. Myasthenia gravis, or MG, is a disorder causing extreme muscle weakness that affects a person's ability to see, smile, walk, talk and breathe. MG is often misdiagnosed or undiagnosed and can prove fatal. The Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America facilitates the timely diagnosis and optimal care of individuals affected by MG and provides programs of patient services, support groups, public information, medical research, professional education, advocacy and patient care. We join the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America in urging citizens to focus on the need for education, treatment, research and a cure for MG during Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month;

HLS 577

(1-2) Allison Hill, of Brunswick, a senior at Bates College, who has received the Sabasteanski Award for Most Outstanding Performer at the NESCAC Track and Field Championships. Ms. Hill won the 100-meter hurdles and the 200-meter dash and was the second leg of the first-place 4x100 relay team and the first leg of the second-place 4x400 relay team. We extend to Ms. Hill our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 578

(1-3) Albert Stehle, of Bowdoinham, who has received a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We send our congratulations to Mr. Stehle on his receiving this award;

HLS 579

(1-4) the Waterville Public Library, of Waterville, which received the National Medal for Museum and Library Service from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the main source of federal support for the Nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums. The Waterville Public Library is one of only 10 nationwide winners of the medal for 2017. We extend to everyone at the Waterville Public Library our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 580

(1-5) the Waterville Senior High School Drama Team, of Waterville, which won the 2017 Class A Regional Drama Festival. We congratulate the members of the team and send them our best wishes;

HLS 581

(1-6) Virginia Billings, of Windham, who is retiring from her position as Site Coordinator for the Southern Maine Agency on Aging Meals on Wheels Program after 34 years of service. We
extend to Mrs. Billings our appreciation for her service to the senior citizens of the State and
offer her our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 582

(1-7) Max Strickler, of New Gloucester, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 86, who has attained
the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is
given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service.
For his Eagle Scout project, Max planned and oversaw the construction of a “MakerSpace,” a
large set of storage and organizational cabinets for the New Gloucester Public Library. We
extend our congratulations to him on this achievement;

HLS 583

Come from the House, READ and PASSED.