Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) Anthony Scott Mason, of Beaver Cove, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 120, 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. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement;

HLS 641

(1-2) the Panthers softball team, of Waldoboro, which won the 16U USA/ASA State Softball Championship. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 642

(1-3) Jack Sawyer Morton, of Paris, a member of the 2017 graduating class of Hebron Academy, who won the Hebron Academy Cup. We extend to Mr. Morton our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 644

(1-4) the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post #777, of Paris, which has been named Auxiliary of the Year and has received both the Child Welfare Award and the Americanism Award in the small auxiliary category. We extend to everyone at the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post #777 our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 645

(1-5) Jeffrey Hanscom, of Bridgton, who has received the Governor's Award for Service and Volunteerism for giving 1,308 hours of service to Bridgton Hospital over the past year. In all, Mr. Hanscom has given over 5,000 hours of service to the hospital. We extend to Mr. Hanscom our appreciation for his service and offer him our best wishes;

HLS 650

(1-6) Grace Delano, of Friendship, who has received the Boston Post Cane, an honor given to the oldest citizen of a municipality. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Delano on this occasion;

HLS 651

(1-7) Hussey Seating Company, in North Berwick, which has been named the 2017 Manufacturer of the Year by the Manufacturers Association of Maine. We extend to everyone at Hussey Seating Company our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 652
(1-8) Steven Cordwell, of Oxford, who is retiring from the Oxford County Regional Communications Center after 28 years of service as a dispatcher. Mr. Cordwell first became involved with emergency services as a volunteer with the Oxford Fire Department in 1977. We extend to Mr. Cordwell our congratulations on his retirement and offer him our best wishes;

HLS 653

(1-9) Nate Howard, of China, a pitcher on the Erskine Academy baseball team, who has been named the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Player of the Year. We extend to Nate our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 654

(1-10) Dylan Presby, of China, a player on the Erskine Academy baseball team, who has been named the Kennebec Journal Baseball Player of the Year. We extend to Dylan our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 655

(1-11) Karen Doughty, of Farmingdale, a social studies teacher with Regional School Unit 2, who has been named the 2017 Maine History Teacher of the Year by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History is a New York-based national nonprofit devoted to the improvement of American history education. We extend to Ms. Doughty our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 656

(1-12) the Capital Area Youth Softball Association 12U Mainiacs Softball Team, of Augusta, which won the Maine ASA 12U-A Softball State Championship. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 657

Come from the House, READ and PASSED.

________________________________________

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-13) Thomas Milton Hancock, of Casco. Dr. Hancock worked at Hancock Lumber, a family-run lumber company, from 1967 to 1990, after which he taught at various schools and colleges. He had a 16-year career at St. Joseph's College, where he served as an administrator, professor and advisor. Dr. Hancock was actively involved in the United Church of Christ and served as a dean and counselor at the UCC Pilgrim Lodge summer camp. He was involved with Seeds of Peace, in Otisfield, as an adult delegation program director and as the Southeast Asia Program Director in India and Pakistan. Dr. Hancock will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 643
WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-14) Rosemary Soucy, of Dedham. Mrs. Soucy worked as a secretary and home health aide for several years. She will be long remembered and sadly missed by her husband of 53 years, Mark, and by her family and friends;

HLS 646

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-15) Robin A. (Chadbourne) Emery, of Prospect. Mrs. Emery worked for many years in the telecommunications industry, beginning her career with NYNEX and more recently working at Fairpoint, from which she retired in 2016. She also worked as a prison guard at the Maine State Prison in Thomaston. Mrs. Emery will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends;

HLS 647

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-16) Esther T. Downing, of Belgrade Lakes. Mrs. Downing was the head cook at Belgrade Central School for over 25 years. She was an active member of Union Church and a past Worthy Matron of the Mount Vernon Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Downing will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends;

HLS 648

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-17) Edward Mark Quinn, of Otisfield, a veteran of the United States Army. Mr. Quinn had recently retired as Jail Administrator for the Oxford County Sheriff's Office after 37 years of service. Mr. Quinn will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 37 years, Sharie, and by his family, friends and colleagues;

HLS 649

Come from the House READ and ADOPTED.