Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) the Hall-Dale High School Varsity Boys Basketball Team, of Farmingdale, which won the Mountain Valley Conference Championship and went on to win the Class C South Championship. Members of the team include Josh Nadeau, Tyler Nadeau, Austin Stebbins, Alec Byron, Dean Jackman, Jett Boyer, Matt Albert, Dylan Pooler, Ashtyn Abbott, Owen Dupont, Patrick Rush, Anthony Romano, Tim Cookson and Chad Smith; assistant coaches Thom Leet, Shane Abbott and Brandon Gilbert; and coach Chris Ranslow. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 1064

(1-2) Edward J. McGeachey III, of Saco, who is retiring as President and Chief Executive Officer of Southern Maine Health Care after a more than 40 year career working to increase people's health and well-being. Under his leadership, Southern Maine Health Care has grown to become Maine's fifth-largest health care organization, has increased access to primary care and specialty care, emergency care, impatient and outpatient behavioral health care, diagnostics and therapy services and has ensured that high-quality health care is available to all York County residents regardless of their ability to pay. We extend to Mr. McGeachey our congratulations on his retirement and offer him our best wishes;

HLS 1065

(1-3) the Marshwood High School Football Team, of South Berwick, which won the 2017 Class B State Championship. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 1067

(1-4) Brayden Bashaw, of Auburn, who is a recipient of a 2018 Community Service Real Heroes Award from the American Red Cross of Maine, Central and Mid Coast Chapter, for his outstanding work raising money for local hospitals to help children with cancer. We extend to Brayden our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 1068

Come from the House, READ and PASSED.

Joint Resolution

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

(1-5) Ellery (Bud) Morrell Merchant, Jr., of Beals. Mr. Merchant worked as a clam digger and a worm digger, fished for lobster and did some seining and worked in a mill and for a moving van company. He coached elementary school boys basketball and lost only three games. He also played town team basketball and traveled to Canada to play. Mr. Merchant will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 60 years, Joyce, and by his family and friends;

HLS 1066

 Comes from the House READ and ADOPTED.