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#### JOINT MEMORIAL

#### Joint Memorial

To the Honorable Claude R. Wickard, Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture; Honorable James F. Byrnes, Director, Office of Economic Stabilization; Honorable Prentiss Brown, Director, Office of Price Administration:

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine, in 91st Legislative session assembled, most respectfully present and petition you as follows:

Whereas, Amendment No. 5 to Maximum Price Regulation No. 271 froze the price of certified white seed potatoes and established a differential for selected white seed potatoes at 75 cents above table stock prices; and

Whereas, it is impossible to define selected seed potatoes so as to distinguish them from "table stock" it would be necessary to classify all potatoes which were not eligible for state certification as "table stock"; and

Whereas, if the present ceiling price on selected seed potatoes is reduced to the present ceiling price of "table stock", the price on potatoes to the grower would drop from 75 cents to \$1.00 per barrel and discourage the farmer from planting the maximum acreage in 1943; and

Whereas, if the price of "table stock" potatoes was raised to the present ceiling price of selected seed, thereby placing both "table stock" and selected seed potatoes in the same category, and the ceiling on certified seed abolished, the farmers would be encouraged to plant more potatoes;

Now, therefore, be it resolved: That the price of "table stock" potatoes be raised to the present ceiling on selected seed and that the ceiling on certified seed potatoes be immediately abolished; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this Memorial be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Honorable Claude R. Wickard, Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; Hon. James F. Byrnes, Director, Office of Economic Stabilization, White House, Washington, D. C.; Honorable Prentiss Brown, Director, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C., and a copy sent to each of the Senators and Representatives representing the State of Maine in the United States Congress:

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

In Senate Chamber, March 23, 1943 Sent Down for Concurrence Read and Adopted, ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. House of Representatives Read and Adopted In Concurrence March 24, 1943 HARVEY R. PEASE,

Clerk.