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WATERFRONT AND PORT REVITALIZATION POLICY

WHEREAS, this Administration has adopted a balanced policy for Maine's rivers which protects significant river resources and encourages their appropriate development; and

WHEREAS, Maine's waterfronts and ports have historically been essential to the State's economy in fostering cargo handling, fishing, boatbuilding, energy development, and related commercial and industrial activities; and

WHEREAS, these waterfronts have in many cases deteriorated from neglect and lack of investment, both public and private;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. BRENNAN, Governor of the State of Maine, declare that it shall be State policy to encourage investment in the development and revitalization of Maine's waterfronts and ports as a matter of priority.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, for the purposes outlined above, that State agencies shall make waterfront development and revitalization a priority matter in the administration of related transportation, environmental protection, conservation, economic and community development programs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that appropriate State and federal funds shall be allocated to the development and revitalization of our waterfronts and ports on a priority basis, in accordance with principles of sound business practice and land use planning.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that this Executive Order shall be transmitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Departments of Housing & Urban Development and Agriculture, the Economic Development Administration, and the Small Business Administration, forthwith; and that these agencies, when reviewing development projects in Maine, shall be informed that the development and revitalization of Maine's waterfronts and ports is a high priority of State policy.

*Joseph E. Brennan*  
JOSEPH E. BRENNAN  
Governor