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OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

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## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

### JOINT RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF THE UNITED STATES MARINES WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN LEBANON AND GRENADA

**Whereas**, in recent weeks several hundred United States citizens were killed while serving in the United States Marine Corps in Lebanon and Grenada; and

**Whereas**, these brave young people made the ultimate sacrifice which can be asked of any American by giving their lives in the service of their country; and

**Whereas**, the people of this country have every reason to be proud of these courageous individuals; and

**Whereas**, among these Marines were two young men from Maine, Corporal Bruce Howard of Strong and Major Andrew Davis of Raymond; and

**Whereas**, the people of Maine share in the sorrow of the loss of these two men; now therefore, be it

**Resolved:** That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Eleventh Maine Legislature, now assembled in special session, join in recognizing the bravery and in mourning the loss of these courageous Americans, including our two native sons.

**House of Representatives**

Read and Adopted

November 18, 1983

Sent up for Concurrence

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

Ordered Sent Forthwith

**In Senate Chamber**

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

November 18, 1983

JOY J. O'BRIEN

Secretary

## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

### JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO END IMMEDIATELY THE FUNDING OF UNITED STATES COVERT PARAMILITARY OPERATIONS IN CENTRAL AMERICA

**We**, your Memorialists, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Second Special Session of the One Hundred and Eleventh Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition the Congress of the United States, as follows:

**Whereas**, military action against recognized governments of nations in Central America is in violation of American and international law, and this violation is now under court-ordered investigation by the United States Department of Justice; and

**Whereas**, covert paramilitary operations run a grave risk of provoking full scale war at a time when over 5,000 United States troops are in Honduras and United States warships are stationed off both coasts of Nicaragua; and

**Whereas**, these covert paramilitary operations do serious injury to the world reputation of the United States as a defender of peaceful democratic change; and

**Whereas**, funding of such covert paramilitary operations contradicts our own democratic process by denying the United States Congress and the American public any information or debate on this action; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That We, your Memorialists, do hereby respectfully urge and request the United States Congress to vote to end immediately the funding for United States covert paramilitary operations in Central America; and be it further

**Resolved**: That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be immediately submitted by the Secretary of State to the Honorable Ronald W. Reagan, President of the United States, the Honorable George Bush, President of the Senate and the Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, and to the members of the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives from the State of Maine.

**In Senate Chamber**  
Read and Adopted  
**November 18, 1983**  
Sent down for Concurrence

**JOY J. O'BRIEN**  
Secretary

**House of Representatives**  
Read and Adopted  
**November 18, 1983**  
In Concurrence

**EDWIN H. PERT**  
Clerk

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## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

### JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE RESCUE MISSION IN GRENADA

**Whereas**, on October 19, 1983, a radical army junta seized power in the tiny island nation of Grenada after slaying Prime Minister Maurice Bishop and an undetermined number of his followers; and

**Whereas**, following this bloody coup, the lives of hundreds of Americans on Grenada and the civil rights of the people of Grenada were in jeopardy; and

**Whereas**, to insure the well-being of those Americans and to relieve the oppression of the citizens of Grenada, a rescue mission of United States Armed Forces and forces from other neighboring nations took control of Grenada; and

**Whereas**, this rescue mission uncovered irrefutable evidence of extensive Cuban activity in Grenada and huge stores of Cuban and Russian arms; and

**Whereas**, freedom and peace have been restored to the nation of Grenada as a result of this multi-national mission; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved:** That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Eleventh Maine Legislature, in special session now assembled, join in expressing our support of the successful mission to Grenada and our congratulations and gratitude to those who so bravely participated in that mission.

**House of Representatives**  
Read and Adopted  
**November 18, 1983**  
Sent up for Concurrence

EDWIN H. PERT  
Clerk  
Ordered Sent Forthwith

**In Senate Chamber**  
Read and Adopted  
In Concurrence  
**November 18, 1983**

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary

## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

### JOINT RESOLUTION URGING RESTORATION OF THE GREYHOUND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

**Whereas**, the people of Maine depend upon reliable and efficient means of public transportation; and

**Whereas**, the Greyhound Bus Company has for many years provided this necessary service, so vital to the numerous rural areas of the State; and

**Whereas**, there currently exists a situation of disagreement between the management and the employees' union of the Greyhound Bus Company; and

**Whereas**, the current differences between the union and the management have effectively curtailed the operations of the company and imposed hardships on the citizens of Maine; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved:** That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Eleventh Legislature, now assembled, in special session, respectfully urge and request the management and the employees' union of the Greyhound Bus Company to negotiate in good faith, without resort to violence, in order that a rapid resolution be resolved and the system of public transportation be restored; and be it further

**Resolved:** That suitable copies of this resolution be sent forthwith to the management of the Greyhound Bus Company and to the officers of the employees' union.

House of Representatives

Read and Adopted

November 18, 1983

Sent up for Concurrence

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

Ordered Sent Forthwith

In Senate Chamber

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

November 18, 1983

JOY J. O'BRIEN

Secretary



## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

### JOINT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DAY CARE SERVICES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES

**Whereas**, it is desirable that the State provide day care services for the children of state employees; and

**Whereas**, the Legislature is aware that a committee composed by both management and employee representatives is currently studying the advisability and form of day care services; and

**Whereas**, the Legislature wishes to encourage the development of one or more specific day care programs and services as soon as possible; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That We, the Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the 111th Legislature, on behalf of the people of Maine, encourage the development of a program to provide day care services to all or a substantial number of employees of the State of Maine with all due speed; and be it further

**Resolved**: That the Legislature wishes to convey its hope and intent that a day care program for state employees will be operating at least as a pilot program by December 31, 1984; and be it further

**Resolved**: That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of the Department of Personnel, the executive directors of the unions that represent state employees with the intent that those individuals provide copies of this resolution to all members of the committee currently studying the feasibility of providing day care services for state employees.

**In Senate Chamber**

Read and Adopted

February 7, 1984

Sent down for Concurrence

JOY J. O'BRIEN

Secretary

**House of Representatives**

Receded and Concurred

February 8, 1984

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

# State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

## JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE SITING COMMISSION

**Whereas**, the State of Maine has accepted its responsibility under the United States Low-level Radioactive Waste Policy Act of 1980 to provide for the capacity for disposal of low-level radioactive waste generated within this State; and

**Whereas**, the Low-level Waste Siting Commission has been carefully studying this problem since 1981; and

**Whereas**, the commission has studied several policy options, including:

1. Joining a Northeast Interstate Low-level Radioactive Waste Management Compact;
2. Joining a Northern New England Compact;
3. Developing a facility for Maine generators only;
4. A staged response, beginning with on-site storage at Maine Yankee; and
5. Arranging to use a site in another state; and

**Whereas**, the commission has made a number of recommendations to the Legislature in its February 1984 report; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That We, the Members of the 111th Legislature assembled in the Second Regular Session, do hereby endorse the recommendations of the Low-level Radioactive Waste Study Commission, specifically:

### 1. NORTHEAST COMPACT

- A. The State should not adopt the Northeast Interstate Low-level Radioactive Waste Management Compact in its present form;
- B. The commission should negotiate with the other northeastern states to modify that compact and answer the concerns which we have identified, especially the problem of host state selection and to provide the assurance that all environmental and public health safeguards required by the host state, although costly, are allowable; and
- C. The state should continue to participate in the discussion of the northeast policy working group, whatever the outcome of the Northeast Interstate Low-level Radioactive Waste Management Compact negotiations, in order to address the common national problems of interim access, defense waste and the search for better options.

## **2. NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND COMPACT**

- A. The commission should continue discussions with the Northern New England Steering Committee, in order to refine the compact concept and language as a possible future option.
- B. The commission should continue cooperation with the northern New England states on the technical problems of siting a small facility in our area.
- C. The commission and the Northern New England Steering Committee should hold exploratory discussions with possible host states outside the 3-state region.

## **3. FACILITY FOR MAINE GENERATORS ONLY**

- A. The commission should continue exploration of the option of "going-it-alone," including completion of the preliminary analyses which are now underway, including:
  - (1) Small shallow land burial facility design;
  - (2) Financial analysis of a small shallow land burial facility;
  - (3) Engineered alternatives to shallow land burial;
  - (4) Financial analysis of a small engineered low-level waste facility; and
  - (5) Transportation procedures and costs.
- B. The commission should work closely with the Maine Congressional Delegation to keep them aware of our interest in this option and to make sure that it remains permissible under any future congressional action.

## **4. STAGED RESPONSE-STARTING WITH ON-SITE STORAGE**

The commission should fully explore on-site storage, with the cooperation of Maine Yankee, for time periods ranging from 5 years to the life of the plant.

## **5. ARRANGING TO USE A SITE IN ANOTHER STATE**

The commission should maintain contact with any other states that might eventually be willing to receive low-level radioactive waste from Maine.

## **6. DEFENSE WASTE**

The commission should express the concern of the Legislature over the problem of defense waste to our Congressional Delegation, and work cooperatively with the other states to develop sound national policy, including consideration of disposal of defense waste at the United States Department of Energy Sites.

## **7. NATIONAL CONCERNS**

The commission should work closely with the Maine Congressional Delegation to:

- A. Make sure that the option of "going-it-alone" remains permissible;
- B. Make sure that adequate provision is made for interim access for Maine and others during the post-1986 period, before any exclusionary compact is ratified for any region;

C. Reach a sound, fair, national policy on disposal of low-level waste from defense activities, such as the Kittery-Portsmouth Shipyard; and

D. Encourage the search for better options than the traditional shallow land burial; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the commission should continue study of the issues and analysis of further developments in other states, with periodic reports to the Legislature over the next 6 to 12 months.

**In Senate Chamber**

Read and Adopted

**March 8, 1984**

Sent down for Concurrence

**JOY J. O'BRIEN**

Secretary

**House of Representatives**

Read and Adopted

**March 9, 1984**

In Concurrence

**EDWIN H. PERT**

Clerk

## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE HONORABLE  
WILLIAM F. BOLGER, POSTMASTER GENERAL OF THE  
UNITED STATES, TO ORDER THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL  
STAMP COMMEMORATING THE ACADIANS OF ST. JOHN VALLEY

**We**, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Second Regular Session of the One Hundred and Eleventh Legislature now assembled, most respectfully present and petition the Honorable William F. Bolger, as follows:

**Whereas**, there is a deep and meaningful pride in the Acadian cultural heritage that descends from the valley of the mighty St. John, the grandest river of the north; and

**Whereas**, this Nation and this State have been truly enriched by a small group of French Acadians, who pioneered the broad and fertile banks of a new world in June of 1785; and

**Whereas**, history recalls Jean Baptiste Sire as founder of the movement which led to settlement and inevitably to a treaty establishing the northern border of Maine and our great Nation along the southern banks of the St. John River; and

**Whereas**, within the scenic splendor of this beautiful valley, communities sprang up of Acadian ancestry which have reached out across the land providing outstanding contributions and leadership; and

**Whereas**, it would be a fitting tribute to the architect Jean Baptiste Sire and the French Acadian founders of the new world on the 200th anniversary of their historic settlement of the St. John Valley to issue a special stamp commemorating the French Acadians of St. John Valley; and be it

**Resolved**: That we, your Memorialists, in view of these historic pioneers of the New World and their record of accomplishments, recommend and urge the Honorable William F. Bolger, Postmaster General of the United States, to take appropriate action by ordering the issuance of a special stamp commemorating the Acadians of St. John Valley; and be it further

**Resolved**: That copies of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Honorable William F. Bolger, Postmaster General of the United States, the President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of the United States Congress and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

**In Senate Chamber**

**Read and Adopted**

**March 13, 1984**

**Sent down for Concurrence**

**JOY J. O'BRIEN**

**Secretary**

**House of Representatives**

**Read and Adopted**

**March 15, 1984**

**In Concurrence**

**EDWIN H. PERT**

**Clerk**

S.P. 832

## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

### JOINT RESOLUTION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH IN MAINE

**Whereas**, Maine has indigenous natural resources which, if properly managed and promoted, will increase economic development in Maine; and

**Whereas**, economic development research, finance and technical service by public agencies are fragmented among various State, regional and local jurisdictions, as well as the University of Maine; and

**Whereas**, there is a need to develop a coordinated and long-term approach to making the most of the State's opportunities for economic development; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That We, the Members of the 111th Legislature, now assembled in Second Regular Session, recommend and urge Governor Joseph E. Brennan to direct the appropriate executive officials to:

1. Review and summarize the state of research on economic development of the State's natural resources;
2. Examine the structure of public economic development research, finance and technical services in the State, its efficiency and effectiveness;
3. Identify ways to improve the delivery and coordination of such research, finance and technical services; and
4. Report their findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having appropriate jurisdiction by January 1, 1985, together with appropriate recommendations for implementing needed changes in the structure and operation of the State Government to this end.

In Senate Chamber  
Read and Adopted  
March 27, 1984

House of Representatives  
Read and Adopted  
March 29, 1984  
In Concurrence

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary

EDWIN H. PERT  
Clerk

## State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

### JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE HONORABLE RONALD W. REAGAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO SUPPORT AND AFFIRM FAIR TRADE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF AMERICAN SHOE WORKERS AND MANUFACTURERS

**We**, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Second Regular Session of the One Hundred and Eleventh Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition President Ronald W. Reagan, as follows:

**Whereas**, imported shoes took 65% of the American market in 1983; and

**Whereas**, under the Orderly Marketing Agreement negotiated with Korea and Taiwan, in 1976, imports were held to 51% of the United States market; and

**Whereas**, this agreement was terminated by President Reagan in 1981, against the recommendations of the International Trade Commission; and

**Whereas**, since termination of the agreement, Korean imports have increased by 46% and Taiwanese imports have increased by 64%; and

**Whereas**, Maine, as the leading shoe-producing state in the nation, has been suffering from the damage of skyrocketing imports during these past 3 years; and

**Whereas**, hundreds of Maine workers have been displaced by the closings of G.H. Bass in North Jay, Farmington Shoe in Farmington, Melville Shoe in Brunswick, Nike of Saco and G.H. Bass in Rumford; and

**Whereas**, the Federal Government has failed to define import limitations, thereby permitting partially-assembled items to be imported as raw materials and reducing the number of direct manufacturing jobs; and

**Whereas**, the International Trade Commission has been petitioned by both shoe manufacturers and shoe workers to forward its recommendations for import relief to the President of the United States; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request that the Honorable Ronald W. Reagan, President of the United States, take affirmative action to support and affirm fair trade in the best interest of American shoe workers and manufacturers; and be it further

**Resolved**: That a suitable copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted forthwith by the Secretary of State to the President of the United States, Ronald W. Reagan.



**House of Representatives**

Read and Adopted

**April 12, 1984**

Sent up for Concurrence

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

Ordered Sent Forthwith

**In Senate Chamber**

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

**April 12, 1984**

JOY J. O'BRIEN

Secretary

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