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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the citizens of Maine, I write this letter in support of National Community Development Week, which is recognized during the week of April 11th.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development established the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program in 1974 to provide local governments with the financial resources to invest in various community projects. The CDBG Program has made a significant impact on communities across the nation through the creation of skill training programs, housing rehabilitation, economic development, downtown revitalization, parks and recreational activities, and infrastructure improvements.

Since 1992, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program has been providing grants to states to support affordable housing opportunities for low-income Americans. The HOME Investment Partnerships Program has contributed critical resources to the state of Maine to support the expansion of affordable housing through new construction, rehabilitation of homeowner and rental units, down payment assistance for new homeowners, and rental assistance.

As Governor, I am truly grateful for the programs administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and their contributions to building resilient communities. The Community Development Block Grant Program and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program are essential to Maine people and Maine communities and I am proud of those who work so hard to implement them.

Thank you,

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