WHEREAS, one of the basic rights of children, as set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by Eleanor Roosevelt in 1948, is their right to adequate nutritious foods; and

WHEREAS, since its creation in 1968, the Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) has granted our children the best possible foundation in life and has benefited many adults, which is vital to our state's long-term health; and

WHEREAS, the two fundamental goals of the CACFP are that children serviced by this program be well-nourished during their developmental years, while concurrently learning healthy eating behaviors that will last their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful for the child and adult care providers, nutrition educators, program specialists and staff, state and federal professionals, and parents who contribute to the success of The Child & Adult Care Food Program; and

WHEREAS, the Maine CACFP will continue its commitment to teaching and emphasizing the benefits of nutritious eating for vulnerable children and adults;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim March 13th through March 19th as

**Child & Adult Care Food Program Week**

throughout the State of Maine, and I urge all citizens to recognize this observation.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this eighth day of February Two Thousand Twenty-Two

Janet T. Mills
Governor

Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State