

WHEREAS, recycling enjoys the support of the vast majority of the people of Maine who now have the opportunity to participate in recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maine recognizes that "closing the loop" and buying products with sustainable/recycled content is essential to the success of recycling and practices this principle in its purchases; and

WHEREAS, for over three decades, the State of Maine has made the commitment to the waste management strategy of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle; and

WHEREAS, recycling has become fundamental to the health and welfare of the people of the State of Maine and to their economy through manufacturing and tourism; and

WHEREAS, waste reduction, recycling, and buying sustainable/recycled products directly contributes to the prosperity of the people of Maine through jobs in manufacturing, collection, processing, marketing, and transportation throughout the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of November 15th through November 19th, 2021 as

MAINE RECYCLES WEEK

throughout the State of Maine, and I urge all citizens to participate in their local community's waste reduction and sustainability efforts.



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

Janet T. Mills Governor

Shenna Bellows

Shenna Bellows Secretary of State