WHEREAS, Robert Browne Hall was born into a musical family living in Bowdoinham, Maine on June 30, 1858; and

WHEREAS, R.B. Hall accepted a call to rebuild the Bangor Band in the early 1880’s and he accomplished this task with such skill that the grateful citizens on Bangor presented him with a gold Boston Three Star Ne-Plus cornet; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with the Bangor Band, R.B. Hall also worked with the Waterville Military Band, Chandler’s Band, the Cherryfield Band, the Olympia Band of Augusta, and the Colby College Band; and

WHEREAS, upon his death in 1907, R.B. Hall had published more than 62 marches and his funeral procession included the playing of his works “March Funèbre,” “Eternal Rest,” and “Independencia” by several of the bands with whom he had performed; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maine and its citizens observe the last Saturday in June of each year as R.B. Hall Day in accordance with Sec. 1 MRSA § 119;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the great State of Maine, do hereby proclaim June 27, 2020 as

R. B. Hall Day

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

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed

GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this twenty-fifth day of June Two Thousand Twenty

Janet T. Mills
Governor