

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations (UN) was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24th; and

WHEREAS, the UN is a global multilateral organization comprised of 193 Member States; and

WHEREAS, the UN seeks to address and solve some of the world's most pressing challenges related to peace and security, human rights, climate change, sustainable development, food security, and humanitarian and health emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, all 193 Member States adopted 17 Sustainable Development Goals - also referred to as the Global Goals - to work toward a more just and sustainable future for all; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2019 poll conducted by the Better World Campaign revealed that American support for the United Nations is at a 10-year high; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Association of the USA has more than 20,000 members across 200 chapters in the United States who believe that our interests and values can best be advanced by supporting the lifesaving work of the United Nations; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Association of the USA has declared "Our Planet. Our Future." as its theme for UN Day 2019 in support of the United Nation's declaration that climate change is the most pressing issue of our time; and

**WHEREAS**, the Maine Chapter of the UNA-USA is committed to taking local action to support the Global Goals and the work of the United Nations, and is joining the fight against climate change to ensure a healthier and sustainable future for all; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2019 as

## **United Nations 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 fifteenth day of October Two Thousand Nineteen

Janet T. Mills

Governor

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