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Honorable Anne M. Carney, Chair Honorable Amy Kuhn, Chair Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary State House Station 115 Augusta, Maine 04333-0007

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Committee Members:

Pursuant to the directive of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 95, I submit the enclosed Revisor's Report for this year, which may be known and cited as RR 2025, Chapter 1. The Revisor's Report is prepared under the authority of Title 1, chapter 4. The corrections made in the report take effect on October 1, 2025, except as otherwise indicated.

There are six parts to this year's Revisor's Report. Part A contains the changes traditionally made in a Revisor's Report. Part B implements the intent of a revision clause directing that the title of the position of "physician assistant" be changed to "physician associate." While changes directed by a revision clause usually happen behind the scenes when we update the Maine Revised Statutes, there were other changes that needed to be made to fully implement that change that were not included in the revision clause and so are included in this Revisor's Report. Finally, as you know, Public Law 2019, chapter 475 directed the Revisor's Office to review the statutes to identify references to individuals throughout the statutes that need to be made gender-neutral and to implement those revisions through the Revisor's Report as soon as reasonably practicable. In accordance with this directive, we have included in Parts C to F of this year's Revisor's Report corrections to gender-specific references contained in the Title 9-A, Title 9-B, Title 13 and Title 36.

We have now finished, to the extent allowed in the Revisor's Report, making the following twenty-seven Titles gender-neutral: Titles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9-A, 9-B, 10, 12, 13, 15, 20-A, 21-A, 22, 24, 24-A, 25, 26, 29-A, 34-B, 35-A, 36, 37-B and 38.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about any of the corrections included in this report. I would be pleased to review the report with the members of the committee should you wish me to do so.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Charbonneau Revisor of Statutes

## Enclosure

cc: Hon. Matthea E. Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate

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