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## JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A MAINE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

**WHEREAS**, basketball is an American pastime that has been popular in Maine since it was invented and Maine high school and college basketball has been an institution and part of every Maine community for a century; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine basketball and all of those who have contributed to the sport in this State have had a direct influence on both the evolution and the identity of numerous Maine communities; and

**WHEREAS**, every Maine community has taken pride in the accomplishments of its high school basketball teams and players for decades and, moreover, these communities have honored and recognized the contribution of fans, players, cheerleaders, reporters, coaches, managers and trainers to the game of basketball and to the community itself; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Maine appreciates the court performances of its outstanding basketball players, as well as the leadership, direction and dedication of its basketball coaches; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to remember the long history of basketball in Maine, it is time to organize and establish a Maine Basketball Hall of Fame to recognize Maine's outstanding basketball players and to also recognize the tradition of Maine basketball and the achievements of the sport's many participants, which have been a source of pride and positive influence for the citizens of Maine for many decades; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** that We, the members of the One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize all of Maine's basketball players, past and present, male and female, including Maine's outstanding basketball players and contributors, and endorse and support the creation of the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame.