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RE: LR #2521 JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 7, 2023 TO MAY 13, 2023 AS MAINE HOME EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the Maine State Legislature is committed to excellence in education and recognizes the impmtance of family participation and parental choice in the pursuit of that excellence; and

WHEREAS, families that choose the option of educating students at home make many sacrifices, and the number of students in the State who are being homeschooled has increased during the COVID-19 pandemic, with mothers, fathers, grandparents and other caregivers teaching these students; and

WHEREAS, excellent individualized preparation for citizenship and life work can be provided by home education; and

WHEREAS, in May, homeschoolers in the State will be celebrating home education for the 36th consecutive year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thi1ty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to declare the week of May 7, 2023 to May 13, 2023 as Maine Home Education Week.