

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE MUNICIPAL
OFFICERS OF
DALLAS PLANTATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2021-JUNE 30, 2022

Annual Report of Dallas Plantation
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

First Assessor Linda Jones	Assessor Patricia Ellis	Assessor Mark Bridges
Town Clerk David Schinas	Treasurer David Schinas	Tax Collector Sheila Waldeck
Fire Warden David Schinas	Health Officer Linda Jones	Animal Control Ryan Thompson
Emergency Manager Reginald Hammond	Road Foreman Mark Bridges	Plow Driver David Duchesne

RSU # 78 School Board Members

Kathleen Catrini and Joanna Farrar

Budget Committee Members

Linda Jones

Elizabeth Flynn

Patricia Ellis

Kathryn Pye

Mark Bridges

David Schinas

Town Clerk's Report

Vital Statistics

Births: 1

Marriages: 1

Deaths: 2

Auto Excise Collected: \$109,886.93

Respectfully,



Katrina Gacki, Town Clerk

Fire Warden's Report

A total of 49 permits were issued. You may obtain a burn permit at the Town Office or online by searching *Maine Open Burn Permit* for no fee. Burn permits will only be available when the Fire Danger is low to moderate as determined by the Maine Forest Service.

Respectfully,



Katrina Gacki, Fire Warden

Local Health Officer Annual Report

Dallas Plantation

2021/2022

The past year saw no public health complaints or inquiries. Covid remained front and center as the primary health concern with daily guidance well broadcast through local and state media. Maine CDC continues to provide updates on a number of health concerns on their website: www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc. Lyme and other tick borne disease as well as brown tail moth health risk concerns are also at the forefront, especially during the warmer months.

Water quality and availability will be spotlighted should drought conditions continue. Testing your well water every year is recommended for bacteria and nitrates and every five years for arsenic, fluoride, uranium, radon, lead and manganese every five years. Water test kits are available at the town office.

The Plantation is actively seeking a LHO after Dr. Oldham's retirement. Interested parties should contact the office for further information.

Respectfully,

Linda Jones

Linda Jones, LHO

Plumbing Inspector's Report

Paul Ferguson-Packard, LPI

15 Ferguson Lane

Sandy River Plt, ME 04970

Home: 864-2971

Cell: 670-5093

January 5, 2023

Greetings Dallas Plt. Assessors,

This is my annual report of all Local Plumbing Inspector activity for Dallas Plantation from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. I have issued 1 violation, which has been resolved, and no stop work orders in this period.

Date	Permit #	Type	Name/Location
7/9/21	712	Septic	Jacot-Descombes, L.A. 247 Dallas Hill Rd.
8/5/21	713	Septic	Anderson, William Lot 14 Moose Ridge Rd.
8/16/21	714	Plumbing	Oliver, Gordon 820 Dallas Hill Rd.
8/24/21	715	Plumbing	Donegan, Sean 7 Birch Hill Way
9/10/21	716	Plumbing	Austin, Eric Kendall Farm Rd.
9/10/21	717	Plumbing	Austin, Eric Kendall Farm Rd.
9/24/21	718	Septic	Bujold, Chris Spruce Circle/Deer Run
9/29/21	719	Septic	Walton, Leslie 148 Dallas Hill Rd.
10/12/21	720	Septic	Marlborough, Robert 24 Tilt of Kilt Rd.
10/15/21	721	Septic	Wright, David 7 Wilderness Trail
10/27/21	722	Septic	Smith, Amy Dallas Hill Rd.
11/12/21	723	Septic	Rodgers Family Lot 8 Moose Ridge
12/6/21	724	Septic	McGonagle, Chris Lot 11A Stratton Rd.
12/9/21	725	Septic	Ludwig, Robert 993 Loon Lake Rd.

12/14/21	726	Septic	Fraser, Kristen Fox Hollow Rd.
12/24/21	727	Plumbing	Watson, Jen 16 Coveside Ln.
12/30/21	728	Plumbing	Quimby, Justin 61 Orris Lamb Rd.
1/25/22	728A	Plumbing	McGonagle, Chris 176 Stratton Rd.
2/21/22	729	Septic	Daigle, Diane Orris Lamb Rd.
2/21/22	730	Plumbing	Daigle, Diane Orris Lamb Rd.
3/15/22	731	Septic	Noonkester, Seth 15 Nichols Rd.
4/14/22	732	Plumbing	White, Howard 87 Moose Ridge Rd.
4/18/22	733	Plumbing	Denney, Kim 155 Dallas Hill Rd.
5/23/22	734	Septic	Sacharuk, Greg 782 Dallas Hill Rd
6/8/22	735	Septic	Quimby, Judy 154 Stratton Rd.

If you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Ferguson-Packard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Paul Ferguson-Packard

DALLAS PLANTATION
TAX COLLECTORS REPORT
JULY 1 2021 TO JUNE 30 2022

Commitment for tax year 2021-22		\$955,793.65
Total collected	\$932,267.53	
Total uncollected	\$23,526.12	Interest collected \$905.99
Total	\$955,793.65	
Total collected for 2020-21	\$38,297.61	Interest collected \$1,807.94
Unpaid for 2020-21	\$1,177.07	
Total collected for 2019-20	\$4,865.91	Interest collected \$408.85

List of all year's unpaid taxes as of June 30,2022 attached

Respectfully Submitted

Sheila Waldeck

Sheila Waldeck

Tax Collector

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
366 R	BOSKOS IRREVOCABLE TRUST	2021	2,233.74	0.00	2,233.74
753 R	DERRY, SCOTT & NATALI	2021	2,619.86	0.00	2,619.86
1 R	DONEGAN, SEAN P.	2021	312.93	0.00	312.93
311 R	GAGEN, JULIE	2021	492.14	0.00	492.14
292 R	MARTIN, MARIE T.	2021	1,828.06	0.00	1,828.06
330 R	MASON, ERIC & RAENA	2021	366.62	0.00	366.62
426 R	MATTEI , SEAN R. & KIM M.	2021	370.04	0.00	370.04
402 R	MORIN, LEE	2021	460.20	0.00	460.20
415 R	MOULTON, ROBERT B.	2021	80.03	0.00	80.03
422 R	MYSTIC ANGLING ASSOC.	2021	360.13	0.00	360.13
439 R	OLIVADOTI, ROBERT & ALANNA	2021	249.66	0.00	249.66
129 R	PALANUKORN, NARONG; ET ALS	2021	2,064.18	0.00	2,064.18
467 R	PIRQUET , THE PIRQUET TRUST	2021	1,052.20	0.00	1,052.20
466 R	PIRQUET, THE PIRQUET TRUST	2021	4,471.51	0.00	4,471.51
512 R	RAYMOND, BETH & MARK RAYMOND	2021	510.33	0.00	510.33
170 R	SLAYTER, FRED	2021	3,791.82	0.00	3,791.82
287 R	SPEARIN, DONALD C. & MARSHA G.	2021	224.97	0.00	224.97
584 R	SPELLER, RICHARD J & JANINE P	2021	616.76	0.00	616.76
644 R	SPELLER, RICHARD J. & JANINE P.	2021	38.30	0.00	38.30
671 R	SPELLER, RICHARD J. & JANINE P.	2021	95.76	0.00	95.76
612 R	THOMPSON, RYAN HAINES	2021	465.12	0.00	465.12
675 R	TRUE, KENNETH & CINDY	2021	1,184.07	362.31	821.76
Total for 22 Bills:		22 Accounts	23,888.43	362.31	23,526.12

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
P - Payment	362.31	0.00	0.00	362.31
Total	362.31	0.00	0.00	362.31

Non Lien Summary

Year	Count	Amount
2021-1	22	23,526.12
Total	22	23,526.12

No Bills 0.00 0.00 0.00

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Lien Summary

Total	0	0.00
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Total for 22 Bills: 23,888.43 362.31 23,526.12

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
No Bills			0.00	0.00	0.00
Payment Summary					
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
Total		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non Lien Summary					
Total	0	0.00			
402 L	MORIN, LEE	2020	585.71	0.00	585.71
612 L	THOMPSON, RYAN HAINES	2020	591.36	0.00	591.36
Total for 2 Bills:		2 Accounts	1,177.07	0.00	1,177.07
Payment Summary					
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
Total		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lien Summary					
2020-1	2	1,177.07			
Total	2	1,177.07			
Total for 2 Bills:			1,177.07	0.00	1,177.07

KEEL J. HOOD

Certified Public Accountant

P.O. Box 302 - Fairfield, Maine 04937 - (207)453-2006

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 26, 2022

Board of Assessors
Dallas Plantation
Dallas Plantation, Maine

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Dallas Plantation, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Dallas Plantation, Maine's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Dallas Plantation, Maine, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I am required to be independent of Dallas Plantation, Maine, and to meet my ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to my audit. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Dallas Plantation, Maine's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but it is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, I:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Dallas Plantation, Maine's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in my judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Dallas Plantation, Maine's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

I am required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that I identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. My opinions on the basic financial statements are not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Thelma Hood, CPA

Statement 1

DALLAS PLANTATION, MAINE
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2022

ASSETS	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Current Assets:	
Cash	\$ 1,708,576
Cash certificates of deposit	147,886
Receivables:	
Taxes	23,526
Liens	997
Total Current Assets	1,880,985
Noncurrent Assets:	
Capital assets, net	350,018
Total Assets	2,231,003
 LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	17,280
Total Current Liabilities	17,280
 NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	350,018
Unrestricted	1,863,705
Total net position \$	2,213,723

DALLAS PLANTATION, MAINE
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Function/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues-----/			Net (Expense) Revenues
		Charges for Services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	
Governmental activities:	\$				
General government	175,876	2,726			(173,150)
Public safety	127,776				(127,776)
Public works	131,178		13,132		(118,046)
Health and sanitation	62,635				(62,635)
Animal control	680				(680)
Leisure services	10,881				(10,881)
Human services	25,352				(25,352)
Education	355,983				(355,983)
Cemeteries	57				(57)
Special Assessments	181,501				(181,501)
Total governmental activities	1,071,919	2,726	13,132	0	(1,056,061)

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Net (expense) / revenue	
General revenues:	
Property taxes	955,794
Excise taxes	111,213
Interest and costs on taxes	3,630
Intergovernmental:	
State revenue sharing	20,987
Homestead exemption	14,325
Land trust	1,719
Snowmobile	245
Tree growth	31,319
Veterans reimbursement	228
ARPA	31,299
Miscellaneous	325
Unrestricted interest	11,373
Total general revenues	1,182,457
Change in Net Position	126,396
Net Position - beginning	2,087,327
Net Position - ending	2,213,723

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
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Dear Maine Resident:

In January, I was privileged to take the Oath of Office to begin my second term as your Governor. I am deeply humbled by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I look forward to continuing to work hard over the next four years to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people.

Over the past four years, we have made real progress. We have expanded health care, leading to the largest decline in the uninsured rate of any state in the nation. We fully funded the State's share of public education. We delivered two-years of free community college. We fully restored municipal revenue sharing to five percent. We delivered substantial tax relief, nation-leading inflation relief, and emergency energy relief to help Maine people through difficult times.

Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we are strengthening and diversifying our economy. In 2022, our state's gross domestic product – a key measure of economic growth – grew at the 9th fastest rate in the United States. People are moving to Maine at a rate higher than any other New England state, and at one of the highest rates in the nation. We have enacted balanced budgets, and we have built up Maine's "Rainy Day" fund to a record high, preparing our state to continue meeting its commitments in the event of an economic downturn.

While I am proud of the progress we have made, there is more to do, like addressing the housing crisis, the workforce shortage, and the opioid epidemic and strengthening health care, education, and the economy. I know that by working together to tackle these issues head-on, we can improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people and make Maine the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Thank you again for the honor to serve you as Governor.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Janet T. Mills".

Janet T. Mills
Governor

SUSAN M. COLLINS
SENATOR

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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

ANGUS S. KING, JR.
MAINE

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United States Senate

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January 1, 2023

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SUBCOMMITTEE
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FILES AND ADMINISTRATION

Dear Friends,

I've often thought that Maine is just one big small town connected by long roads. Well, in the past year or two, those roads have gotten steeper and bumpier as we dealt with an unprecedented pandemic and the resulting economic troubles.

As we faced the historic challenges, something impressive happened. We came together and lent a hand to our neighbors wherever we could to keep things running and spirits high.

Down in Washington, Congress tried to help Maine communities get through this struggle, so that our state would come out stronger. To do that, we put in the work and set some things into motion that are already helping Maine people. That's why you hired us, after all.

The pandemic made something we'd known for a while clear: those roads and networks that connect our big town needed repair, improvements, and expansion – from bridges to broadband. So, while Maine was uniting towards a common purpose, Congress came together to pass the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* – legislation that makes generational investments in physical infrastructure, broadband connections, harbors, and the energy grid. These efforts will lay the foundation for Maine's 21st century economy and make sure even the most rural areas aren't left behind.

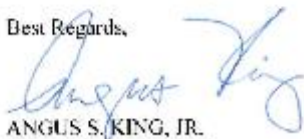
Over the last two years, as we drove up and down our state, you couldn't help but see storefronts in trouble and prices rising as the economy struggled through a global recession. And again, while you focused your efforts on getting through the difficult times, Congress took meaningful action. We passed the *American Rescue Plan* in 2021, which enabled Governor Mills and the state of Maine to better meet the health and economic difficulties of the pandemic. At a critical moment it expanded healthcare efforts to confront COVID and invested in the state to keep the economy in far better shape than most others nationwide.

Congress didn't stop there. This year, we took even more concrete steps to cut costs, create jobs, and provide more affordable, cleaner energy. The bipartisan *CHIPS Act* will bring home the manufacturing of the technical components known as "chips" that are used in everything these days – from smartphones to microwaves to cars – and in doing so reduce prices and create good American jobs. We also passed the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)* to lower healthcare costs, allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, and cut energy bills with new rebates for things like heat pumps and solar panels.

Beyond these major investments, we also passed vital legislation to improve the day-to-day lives of Maine people and Americans nationwide. On a bipartisan basis, we expanded health care for veterans exposed to toxins, strengthened protections for marriage equality, supported Ukraine as it fought off a bloody Russian invasion, secured our elections and the peaceful transfer of power, and delivered millions in federal investments to projects up and down our state.

So, as Maine worked to get through hard times, Congress took steps to support our state – and we're already starting to see brighter days ahead. I'm proud to have played a small part down here; it's a true privilege to listen to you, work with you, and build a brighter future for all the incredible people up and down the roads that connect our big small town. Mary and I wish you a happy, and safe 2023.

Best Regards,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.
United States Senator

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January 2023

Dallas Plantation Municipal Office
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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I would first like to thank the residents of Dallas Plantation for helping to elect me as your State Representative. I take this responsibility very seriously. With nearly 2,000 pieces of legislation submitted for the upcoming session, I know I will be very busy.

Legislative leadership has appointed me to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Labor & Housing as well as the Joint Standing Committee on Environment & Natural Resources. On my two separate committees to use jurisdiction to consider all new bills pertaining to the Department of Labor. As well as overseeing bills pertaining to air and water quality, natural resource protection, hydropower & dams, and wind energy development, including the oversight of the Department of Environmental Protection.

I was elected to the Maine Legislature on the promise to represent you, the people of District 73. To do this, I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your comments and concerns. Please call me anytime at **(207) 400-7233** or email at Michael.soboleski@legislature.maine.gov to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by signing up at the town office or emailing me directly with your request.

Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael A. Soboleski".

Michael A. Soboleski
State Representative

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Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Small Business

Jared Golden
Congress of the United States
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, UMaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including UMaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

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I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your State Senator. I am humbled by the trust you have placed in me to be a voice for you, your family, and our community in Augusta. I continue to work tirelessly on your behalf.

Many of you have reached out regarding the increasing costs we face, as well as the countless ways the pandemic has impacted every aspect of your life. As your State Senator, I have advocated for policies that would improve life for Mainers during this trying time. In the 131st Legislature, my goal is to promote policies that empower people to build a better future; in this era of diminishing personal liberty, restrictive regulations, and soaring costs, common sense solutions have never been more essential.

The pandemic has brought us many challenges, however, some beneficial changes will become permanent, such as the use of technology to allow persons from all over our state interactive access to their government. Online access makes it easier for you to share your perspectives with the State Legislature. I strongly encourage you to engage; we need to hear from real people in the public hearing process.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. Please do not hesitate to reach out with your comments or questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy. I look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa M. Keim".

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