

State of Maine



WHEREAS, the Dental Lifeline Network of Maine and the Maine Dental Association established the Donated Dental Services (DDS) Program in 1999; and

WHEREAS, through the DDS Program, dentists and dental laboratories donate comprehensive treatment for people with disabilities or those who are elderly or medically fragile and cannot afford dental care; and

WHEREAS, since the Program's inception, more than 170 dentists and 20 dental laboratories volunteering for the DDS Program have treated over 1,467 people with seriously neglected dental problems throughout Maine; and

WHEREAS, through the generosity and benevolence of dentists and laboratories throughout the state of Maine, the DDS Program has surpassed a landmark milestone of supplying \$5 million in donated dental services to Maine people; and

WHEREAS, the DDS Program has provided \$392 million in donated dental services nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the strength and success of the state of Maine, the vitality of our communities, and the effectiveness of society depend, in great measure, upon concerned and devoted programs as exemplified by the DDS Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the great State of Maine, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2019 as

Donated Dental Services (DDS) Recognition Day

throughout the State of Maine, and I urge all citizens to recognize the generous contributions made by this program that is essential to the health of so many Maine people.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the
Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed
GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this
twenty-ninth day of May Two Thousand Nineteen



Janet T. Mills
Governor

Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State
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