

*State of Maine*



**WHEREAS**, the State of Maine has long been a haven for writers, musicians, painters, sculptors, poets, dancers, folk artists, culinary artists, and creative thinkers of all kinds; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine enjoys a worldwide reputation for the quality, quantity, and variety of its cultural community; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine features a broad and significant array of historic and architecturally significant structures; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine and the world benefit economically, intellectually, and emotionally because of the existence, practices, and contributions of our cultural community; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine's culture today includes the contributions and resilience of the Wabanaki tribes who first hunted, farmed, fished and occupied much of the land that we call our home; and

**WHEREAS**, Maine appreciates the heightened quality of life that results from a vibrant cultural community; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with 1 MRS § 118, the State designates the week containing Statehood Day, March 15th, as Maine Cultural Heritage Week;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the great State of Maine, do hereby designate the week of March 15th as

**Maine Cultural Heritage Week**

and encourage all Maine citizens to observe and appreciate appropriately the richness of our cultural community and the many gains we receive thereby.



In testimony whereof, I have caused  
the Great Seal of the State to be  
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my  
hand at Augusta this second day of  
March Two Thousand Twenty-Two

Janet T. Mills  
Governor

Shenna Bellows  
Secretary of State