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REBUILD MAINE'S FUTURE: RECLAIMING OUR CULTURE

We are in a war for the spirit, the culture, and the future of Maine. Our state has changed greatly since 2018 and not for the better in any way, shape, or form. Maine has become unaffordable. Our older citizens can no longer afford to stay in what was supposed to be their forever home, and our younger people cannot afford to start a family or even build a life here.

The education of our schoolchildren has suffered and has been replaced with indoctrination. Our children's minds are the front lines of the culture war in Maine. Everything that truly matters seems secondary to whatever the government wants. Their latest idea that's always "so good it has to be mandatory" always seems to benefit voters in Portland or those who believe in the same failed ideas that have made that city undesirable.

This is not the way Maine was supposed to be. For a long time, as Maine went, so went the nation. Now it seems that as California goes, so goes Maine. This is not who we are. This is not what our state is. This is not Maine. We must protect the "Maine Ways."

Maine was, and always was meant to be, a quiet state and a safe home for people who worked hard. Maine was meant to be a haven for people who wanted to be left alone to live their lives as they saw fit - a place where rugged self-reliance is paired with community spirit and freedom.

That is the Maine I know.

Today, Maine is a centrally planned economy more reminiscent of Eastern Europe during the Cold War than a free-thinking land of opportunity. Maine has become a top-down authoritarian state where bureaucrats and nonprofits hold more power than even our elected legislators.

This is not who we are.

The men of the 20th Maine did not die at Little Round Top for their beloved state to become shackled by the chains of tyranny we now bear. We cannot let their sacrifice be in vain. We must act to reclaim our state.

It is not too late, but we must emancipate ourselves. No one is coming to save us.

It is up to me, to you, and to everyone reading this platform to recognize that winning doesn't happen on its own—it happens when people act. It is why I am running for Governor, because it is not too late. This fight is for my children, your children, and the place we all call home: our beloved Maine.

We have an opportunity to return Maine to what she should be, to save her and set her back on the road to prosperity, freedom and opportunity.

I am invested most of my life in this state, and I will see it prosper again if it is the last thing I ever do. I have spent almost 30 years helping to build the economic fabric of Maine. I have been on the front lines of conservative politics here for decades, fighting in the trenches with the grassroots for what is right.

Whether it was supporting President Trump or suing the Governor over ranked-choice voting, COVID restrictions, or the unconstitutional Red Flag Law, I have and will always fight for Maine. Being a fighter is who I am - and it is what this state needs now more than ever before.

In this life, I firmly believe that to do the most good, you go where you are needed. At this precarious moment in time, I believe, now more than ever, that my place is to lead from the front in this fight for the spirit of Maine. We can do this, but we can only do it together. My friends, it will be a long road, but the only thing we need to begin our journey to rebuild Maine's future is courage and conviction.

Wherever you are from, if these words moved you, you were born to be a Mainer. You were meant to be here, at this moment in time. The spirit of Maine is in you - listen to it.

*- David Jones
November 22, 2025*

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MAINE'S FUTURE: FIGHTING FOR OPPORTUNITY

"In the beginning of a change, the patriot is a scarce man, and brave, and hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot." - Mark Twain

Change is the catalyst for OPPORTUNITY. We demand change from the challenges we currently face. Maine cannot stand another second of the intolerable acts we have endured under the current regime controlling Augusta. Believing that Republicans can win the Blaine House, the Maine House and Maine Senate is the first step. We must change our mindset of expecting defeat into an insatiable hunger for victory. Hungry dogs run faster!

Opportunity must be created. It is up to you to take action. Opportunity is born out of hard work and courage. We must all have the courage to believe in ourselves, our mission and put the petty bickering of the past behind us. The risk is too great for distraction or infighting. Going forward to win this battle for our state we must ALL believe in the mission of ONE TEAM, ONE FIGHT!

Opportunity is created for business by FREEDOM. Freedom to innovate, freedom to operate and freedom to profit from the risks and decisions that businesses make. Stability is the bedrock of planning and we commit to laying that foundation for Maine's existing and future businesses to grow and succeed.

Opportunity is created in our schools. By putting our children first, over ideology and by teaching them the knowledge, skills, and civic values they need, we prepare them to grow into productive and patriotic citizens. We commit to empowering and protecting Maine students, respecting parental rights and getting back to the fundamentals of education.

Opportunity is created in energy by ending cronyism and returning to common sense and fair business practices. The David Jones administration will end the Green Energy cartel's artificial market in Maine. Clean hydropower, liquid natural gas and 21st century nuclear energy will power Maine's future.

Opportunity is created for Maine people by truly caring about them. A David Jones administration will put our people first. Protecting our elderly, empowering our youth, taking care of our veterans and making every community in Maine safe and wholesome again. Maine will be the best state in the nation to be born, grow up, raise a family and to LIVE and LEARN.

Opportunity is EVERYTHING Opportunity is the lifeblood of the American dream. Opportunity is ambition. Opportunity is success. Opportunity is what Maine can be. All we have to do is allow that opportunity as a common people with common sense.

Opportunity needs BOLD LEADERSHIP Maine needs "The Opportunity Governor" David Jones and Republican majorities in the Maine House and Maine Senate. Winning these three mission objectives must be the sole focus of everyone in Maine who shares a common cause in restoring common sense to this state. Together, with resolve and execution, we will make Maine great again!

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CHAPTER ONE: RECLAIMING OUR MAINE CULTURE

Our Commitment:

The David Jones Administration understands that a state and a people are bound by a common culture. It is what makes us who we are. Without a common and shared culture we are not a connected people. To rebuild Maine's future we must all be in this together. It is the culture that binds us together. We are Americans, we are Mainers and we are committed to a firm and solid foundation of constitutional principles upon which we will rebuild this state. You are here to benefit Maine, Maine is not here to benefit you or fund your lifestyle.

1. Rejecting Marxism and Reclaiming our Maine Identity.

The David Jones administration explicitly rejects all the ideological branches on the tree of Marxism. Socialism, Fascism and Communism have no place in Maine or America. They are antithetical to who we are as a free people. Mainers are self-reliant individuals who want local control of their communities and the freedom to raise their families as they see fit. If you move to Maine do not seek to change her into where you came from. You must assimilate with our shared culture of American virtues, and be a net positive for your community and state.

2. Local Control. Always.

Maine thrives on local control, it is part of who we are. The David Jones Administration will respect local control and weigh all legislation and initiatives against it. Over the last eight years power and process has been centralized into state government. Opportunity and prosperity flourish when power and process are decentralized allowing local innovation, investment and buy-in.

3. Culture is Everything.

This platform of policy only works if it has the buy-in of Maine people. Maine culture is the tie that binds us all together. We must all identify as the same people, all focused as part of the solution to rebuild Maine's future. A David Jones administration will be by, of and for the people of Maine. We will never forget that we work for you and that the consent of the governed is the most foundational of American principles. It must never be abused or taken for granted.

CHAPTER TWO: UNLEASHING MAINE ENERGY

Our Commitment:

The David Jones Administration will break up the Green Energy cartel to unleash Maine's energy potential. Maine business runs on energy. We commit to implementing and expanding 21st century energy solutions to power Maine's future. Our existing heritage industries need affordable and reliable energy to operate and turn a profit. Maine must attract a 21st century business sector to secure our economic future and that can only be done by ending Green cronyism and embracing common sense

1. End the Solar Tax by Repealing Net Energy Billing

Maine must take back the power from the Green Energy Lobby. Wind and solar markets in Maine are artificial markets dammed and propped up to benefit special interests. That ends day one of the David Jones administration.

2. Remove the 100 Megawatt Restriction on Hydropower

Hydro-power is everywhere and the cleanest of clean energy. Its renewable power has been capped to create the artificial market that benefits the Green energy lobby. Hydro-power will be unleashed and our dams protected from hostile takeover.

3. Protect and Expand Liquid Natural Gas Inflow into Maine

LNG or Liquid Natural Gas is the fuel that drives an economy. Maine must open new pathways for LNG into the state and prevent special interests from stopping LNG delivery to benefit special interests in the artificial Green Energy cartel.

4. 21st Century Clean and Safe Nuclear Energy

American companies are driving innovation with SMRs or small modular nuclear reactors. These are safe, manageable sources of clean energy. 21st century nuclear energy is not the same as 20th century nuclear energy. Advancements in technology and the market have made nuclear both safe and clean energy. SMRs could become the norm by 2030 Maine can embrace innovation and new energy technologies if we plan and prepare for the opportunity in the future.

5. Identify Future Needs and Innovate to Get There

Success is built upon planning, planning is built on stability and that leads to innovation. Today, advancements in technology are occurring at an exponential rate. If Maine is going to embrace the rise of SMRs, the David Jones administration will build a coordinated plan to maximize efficiency and protect the

environment. This goes for AI datacenters as well. If AI datacenters are approved locally and SMRs are permitted in Maine they must have closed loop systems. Closed loop systems for AI datacenters and SMRs do not have access to aquifers and may be the best fit for Maine. They are also the safest iteration of these technologies. Additionally, Maine will need homegrown workers for these initiatives. The workforce that will come with these innovations must be made up of American Mainers. Reclaiming our educational institutions to provide and train this workforce will be an initiative in the David Jones administration.

CHAPTER THREE: GROWING OUR ECONOMY

Our Commitment:

Rebuilding Maine's future means recruiting and attracting new 21st century industry to Maine. We must protect and preserve our heritage industries while attracting modern industry to Maine. Pairing our heritage industries with new investment from 21st century business will set Maine up for success and expand our tax base for generations to come.

1. Strip Our Economic Goals Down to the Studs and Rebuild

In the past, the keys to Maine's economic future have been given to academics and nonprofits. That ends day one of the David Jones administration. Academics and non-profits have no business experience and face no real world consequence for failure. Our administration will empower business leaders to lead the state. They understand risk and consequence.

2. Let Business Leaders Lead

The David Jones administration will create the Governor's Business Council in the Executive Branch. The Governor's Council will take the best business minds and leaders in the state and get them working for Maine. The Governor's Council will put aside political party, self interest and affiliations to serve Maine with laser focus. The Governor's Council will be tasked with creating an economic strategic plan, quickly and decisively that will be executed in the David Jones administration.

3. Excellence in Industrial Arts and Technical Schools

Maine must continue to support our heritage industries by preparing the next generation of blue collar trades workers to thrive and carry on the working traditions that built Maine. The David Jones administration will mainstream the trades, particularly in rural areas, to maximize the potential of high school students who choose that pathway to success. The trades are the fastest way to earn six figures in rural Maine.

4. Developing Maine's 21st Century Workforce

In addition to our heritage industries, Maine must build a homegrown workforce that thrives in new industries like the tech, nuclear, biomedical and other industries that are not based around our natural resources. Doing this will make us competitive with our neighbors, diversify our economy, and lead to long term job growth to retain our young people as they enter the workforce.

5. Maine Must Attract Investment

Right now, Maine is not an attractive environment to do business. That must change as soon as possible. A David Jones administration will set the table with a modern and a technologically savvy workforce. This will help attract investment from both outside the state as well as incubating and growing Maine based start ups for our young people who endeavor to become entrepreneurs in emerging markets.

6. Deregulate and Innovate

By cutting burdensome regulations we allow the businesses Maine has to operate and expand more freely. Their success will be a beacon to those companies looking to expand or invest in the state of Maine. Deregulation and decentralization of government power lead to innovation in the private sector and that is a goal of the David Jones Administration. Freedom leads to opportunity.

CHAPTER FOUR: EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Our Commitment:

In a David Jones administration education in Maine will no longer take a backseat to ideological indoctrination. Parents' rights will be respected. Biological boys will not play in biological girls' sports and will not invade their safe spaces. Academic achievement and high proficiency will be the ultimate metric on how education is evaluated and funded. The burden of paying for education is on local taxpayers, we must lighten their load. Inefficiencies will be streamlined and special interests will have to disclose who they are to Maine's school boards.

1. Parents' Bill of Rights

A Parents' Bill of Rights will be issued by Executive Order on day one of the David Jones administration. This document will be a restriction upon government overreach with regard to our children's educational experience. It will protect a parent's right to know everything about their child's education. It is the parent's responsibility to raise their children and public education must support that premise. The Executive Order will be made into legislation to be passed and enacted by the legislature to make it permanent in statute.

2. Compliance with Original Intent of Title IX

Title IX shall never be interpreted or usurped to take away the rights of women and girls that so many brave Americans fought to protect.

Maine shall comply with the original intent of Title IX: *"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."*

3. Raise Maine's Educational Proficiency Floor

The David Jones administration will set a goal for achievement on the National Assessment of Educational Progress for test scores for Maine students from grades 4 to 8. In two years the goal will be to meet the national average on all levels. The goal in four years will be to exceed the national average on all levels. This is a very achievable goal for Maine schools. Maine must set an incremental pathway to success for our students.

4. Conform with Big, Beautiful Bill for Educational Reforms

Maine will conform with the Trump administration's big, beautiful bill. Under Governor David Jones, Maine will see opt-in school choice scholarships, implementation of Pell Grants for the trades to support a blue collar workforce. Maine will end taxpayer funding for dead end degrees that will not allow students to pay off their loans with the wages they earn with those degrees.

5. Lower the Cost to Communities by Reducing Administration Costs.

Maine spends an exorbitant amount of local tax dollars on administration in the Education sector. This top heavy approach does not put our students first. The education and development of Maine's children must always be our primary focus. Administrative inefficiencies strain local budgets and are often redundant. The Jones administration will foster voluntary regional cooperation and the streamlining of initiatives. Savings will be used to reduce property taxes and will also be redirected to class rooms and intervention initiatives.

6. Lobbying Disclosures to School Boards

Any group or association that has to have members or employees register as lobbyists will be required to issue a disclosure to every school board member in the state of Maine every year. This disclosure must be in writing and delivered electronically and as a hard copy. It is imperative that all Maine school board members know and understand when they are being lobbied and by whom for full transparency and accountability.

CHAPTER FIVE: IMPROVING HEALTHCARE ACCESS

Our Commitment:

Maine's healthcare systems need to be supported, not exploited. Access to quality healthcare, especially in our rural areas is vital to healthy, growing Maine. A stated goal of the next four years will be to recruit the next generation of physicians and healthcare workers to support our aging population. The David Jones administration commits to taking a business minded, innovative approach to the healthcare market. Streamlining the direct connection between doctor and patient by cutting out the middleman will decrease costs and access for Maine people. Building sustainable systems built on access, innovation and best practices will ensure success for years to come. Reducing and eliminating the waste, fraud and abuse in current systems can and will provide the funding for these improvements.

1. Maine will establish and encourage enrollment in HSAs

Maine will establish and encourage enrollment in rollover Health Savings Accounts or HSAs (tax-advantaged savings for qualified medical expenses) that follow the individual and families. High Risk Pools for pre-existing conditions will be set up to establish coverage for individuals who may be denied coverage in certain insurance models. The state will partner with local banks to set up low-fee HSA platforms, establish digital dashboards for tracking contributions, rollovers, and qualified expenses to prevent misuse. The launch of HSA expansion will target the 200,000+ Medicaid enrollees and potential small-business employees if employers opt in. Auto-enrollment for new Medicaid eligible applicants will be offered, with a \$500 state seed grant for first-time contributors, aligned with federal proposals for employer-matching incentives.

Through a Governor's bill, the Maine legislature would need to enact bills to establish harsh penalties for fraud. Additionally, legislation must be passed to mandate that medical providers accept cash or debit card payments for care, regardless of the patient's insurance status, and to require providers to publicly post the costs of all visits and procedures in a way that is easily accessible to consumers. Maine will also set up a vetted registry of providers that accept payment from Trump Health Freedom Accounts.

2. Rebuilding Maine's Rural Healthcare Future

The David Jones administration will endeavor to champion and transform healthcare reform in Maine's rural areas. Using the Federal \$50 billion Rural Health Transformation Fund program as a model to build on initiatives will be focused on access, outcomes and sustainability; regional coordination and strategic investment; workforce development and recruitment; best practices innovation and 21st century technological innovation.

Access to quality healthcare in rural areas is dwindling. Practices, departments and offices are closing. This is unsustainable. The David Jones administration is committed to supporting existing systems and incubating and growing new pathways that can help reduce chronic disease, increase quality of life and lessen the need for hospital care. Rural healthcare access priorities with sustainable futures include: primary care, preventative care, behavioral health, maternity care, and dental care to meet the needs of rural Maine.

Rebuilding Maine's rural healthcare focuses on improving the existing paradigm and building a sustainable and healthy rural Maine for future generations.

CHAPTER SIX: CUT SPENDING TO LOWER TAXES

Our Commitment:

In drafting budgets the David Jones administration will have the sharpest pencil in Augusta. Needs must always be paid for before wants can be considered. Cronyism and special interest spending will become a relic of an unaffordable past. Our mission for your tax dollars will be to cover the essential functions of government first, followed by strategic spending and investment that is purposeful to grow our economy.

1. Make Budgets Sane Again

Over the last eight years Maine's biennial budgets have not been strategic, they have been destructive. Expanding expensive programs and creating new ones that are unsustainable to reward special interests are over. Maine must scale back the bloat from rampant one time Covid era spending. The budgets of Governor David Jones will be those of a businessman with four decades of success under his belt. Common sense paired with good business sense is a winning combination for Maine.

2. Spending is the Problem

Maine has a spending problem. Inflation has guaranteed surplus revenues over the last eight years. Those surpluses are not free money to be used on bad ideas or pet projects. The surpluses should be given back to the taxpayer to offset inflated living expenses or strategically invested to produce value or passive income to Maine without burdening the taxpayer.

3. No Tax on Tips, No Tax on Overtime, No Tax on Retirement

The David Jones administration will conform with the Big, Beautiful Bill for no tax on tips, no tax on overtime and no tax on retirement for those over 65. These are common sense policies that make Mainer's lives easier. Opportunity means getting the government out of the way and out of your pocket as often as possible.

4. Maine Wealth Fund Investment Plan

The David Jones administration will create the Maine Wealth Fund to take revenue surpluses from inflation and turn them into assets and investments that produce economic value to fight the inflationary nature of fiat currency. Once the Maine Wealth Fund is created there should never again be a surplus budget with excess Rainy Day funds from any Maine governor.

The Rainy Day Fund has a cap and can be raided to pay for pet projects. The Maine Wealth Fund seeks to invest revenue surpluses in Gold and Silver Bullion, real estate, infrastructure or global equities. Strategic focus and priority will be given to buying stock in companies that invest in Maine to show mutual partnership and cooperation. Invest in Maine and we will invest in you.

CHAPTER SEVEN: LET THE BUILDERS BUILD

Our Commitment:

The David Jones administration will take on Maine's housing crisis through two vectors of attack. For too long, Maine has thought that solving the housing crisis could only be done through the centralizing power and process in government bloat. That thinking is flawed. Government and bureaucracy is the cause of red tape, not the answer to it. Throwing money at bloated institutions and central authorities filled with bureaucrats is not going to solve the housing crisis. Our older generation bought their forever homes to age gracefully in them. This must be respected and supported. Local budgets, often stretched by education costs, must not force out our older citizens. Easing the overall property tax burden Mainers and especially those over age 65 is a priority for the Jones administration.

1. Opportunity means less Red Tape

Maine has tens of thousands of building regulations. If we want people to build housing we need to let them. The Jones administration will work with business leaders and innovators to reduce the red tape, decentralize the process and incentivize the private sector by removing regulations that deter the private sector from taking on projects that benefit Maine's young people who are in desperate need of housing that they can call their own.

2. Protecting our Seniors

Those over age 65 must have support to age gracefully in their homes. The David Jones administration wants to give it to them. The tax burden is always tied to spending. Always. To give Maine's seniors a break or an increased exemption on property taxes Maine must eliminate spending on things that do not matter. Biennial budgets under Governor David Jones will always be focused on eliminating waste, fraud and abuse and applying those savings to protecting our seniors and creating policies that let them stay in their homes.

3. Flexible Mortgages for First Time Buyers

Federal Housing Authority mortgages under the Department of Housing and Urban Development are a pathway to get young people into buying their own home. Low down payments, forgiving credit requirements and assumable mortgages are tailor made for younger citizens looking to become homeowners. With FHA mortgages young borrowers can eventually refinance into conventional loans once they have enough equity and credit improvement putting them on par

with current home owners.

3. Pathway to Eliminating Property Taxes

Other states are looking to eliminate property taxes and Maine should be no different. Having the government as your landlord for the rest of your life is not true home ownership. Having a patch of land to call home and own outright is the American dream. The David Jones administration will be focused on finding ways to eliminate the property tax in Maine and collecting the best ideas from around the country to make it happen.

CHAPTER EIGHT: LAW AND ORDER

Our Commitment:

Rebuilding Maine's future means returning to the past for quality of life, safe neighborhoods and life the way it should be. Over the last eight years, criminal activity of all types has exploded in communities across the state - urban, suburban, and rural alike. Rather than deal with obvious issues head on, the issues were ignored and allowed to get worse. The age of willful ignorance towards drug trafficking and the ancillary crimes that come with it are over. The David Jones administration will be focused on returning law and order to every city and town in Maine.

1. Combatting Transnational Criminal Drug Cartels

What started with Triad Weed has now escalated into a diverse market of transnational narco-trafficking across the state of Maine. Criminal networks have invaded Maine because there has been no pushback from the state. Instead a culture of enabling and permissive drug use, often out in the open, has taken over. This must end. The David Jones administration will unshackle, empower and motivate every level of law enforcement in the state to combat this multi-tiered epidemic. Mainers are being robbed of their future, their safety and everything that makes their state great. Making Maine Great Again can only happen if we clean up our streets, crackdown on criminal networks and foster a cultural paradigm of hope and healthy living.

2. Cooperation with ICE and Illegals Ineligible for Pre-Trial Release

Under Governor David Jones, Maine will cooperate with federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement to the fullest extent possible. Illegals arrested for criminal offenses must be determined to be ineligible for pre-trial release and detained for ICE. Sanctuary cities will not be tolerated and deemed a clear and present danger to the safety of Maine. Governor Jones will support legislation that accomplishes this.

3. Accountability for District Attorneys

District Attorneys are elected and serve at the consent of the governed. The people must be able to recall District Attorneys if they are not protecting their communities and constituents from the criminal element through aggressive prosecutions and incarcerations for felonies. The David Jones administration will support legislation that allows for the recall of District Attorneys throughout Maine.

4. Hard Drugs Means Hard Time

Over the last eight years there has been a legislative push to decriminalize hard drug use and hard drug trafficking. It is the intention of the David Jones administration to reverse these policies of scheduled drugs that were decriminalized (with the exception of medicinal and recreational cannabis). The Jones administration will add 7-OH (mitragynine & 7-hydroxymitragynine) to schedule W drug listing to protect our communities.

CHAPTER NINE: TAMING THE BEAST

Our Commitment:

Maine's government has become a feeding trough for special interests. Too many left wing policies are passed and signed into law by the Governor that benefit those leeching off the system instead of the people paying the bill. The goal of a David Jones administration will be to tame the beast of government into submission. We must eradicate the grift, the waste and the fraud that plagues our institutions. If a government system does not directly benefit the people of Maine, it will be gone under Governor David Jones.

1. Reign in the Administrative State

Maine will conform with the Supreme Court's ruling on the Chevron Doctrine, taking power away from bureaucrats to issue rules and regulations. Maine must take back power from the nameless, faceless administrative state. A David Jones administration will do this by implementing term limits for bureaucrats in state government.

2. Election Integrity

Maine will leave the ERIC system under Governor David Jones. Maine will audit the voter rolls for every city and town in the state of Maine and clean them up to guarantee the most secure elections in the nation. A full review of the operations and technical capabilities of all voting machines used will be done yearly to track for the implications of software updates and their implications for voting integrity.

3. Welfare Reform

Maine's welfare spending is out of control. The Jones administration will implement constant verification of eligibility for able bodied adults, implement work requirements for able bodied adults, and prohibit illegal aliens from accessing MaineCare. Maine must also end multi-state enrollment and cross check out of state EBT transactions. Welfare rolls will be crosschecked monthly against Social Security lists to ensure that tax money is not being sent to deceased individuals. Governor David Jones will end the grift and abuse of managed care tax money laundering.

4. End Taxpayer Funded Lobbying for the Government

State agencies, boards and commissions in Maine are currently allowed to use tax money to hire lobbyists to grow the government and increase with your money. The current paradigm allows for bureaucrats to over budget and then hire lobbyists to pass the spending increases. This practice is wrong and unsustainable. This ends in the David Jones Administration.

5. Identify and Eliminate Waste, Fraud and Abuse

As part of David's Office of Government Efficiency (DOGE) all systems of government in Maine will be audited and their contracting analyzed to eliminate waste, fraud and abuse. Currently, our government infrastructure is optimized for grift after decades of Democrat control. To fix the problem, we must first diagnose the systemic problems facing Maine and eliminate them. All agencies and departments will be given the opportunity to reduce their budgets by 20%, if they do not comply the Jones administration will do it for them. Safeguarding Mainer's tax money will be a primary priority of the David Jones administration.

6. Take Power Back from Left Wing Non-Government Organizations (NGOs)

The mission of the Maine government should be to protect citizens' essential liberty and carry out the legitimate functions of government. The ever expanding sea of non-profits and non-government organizations have encroached on this mission. The state will no longer fund these organizations with tax dollars through appropriations or grants. If their work is worthwhile they will survive on private donations. The Maine NGO sphere will go from government barnacle to survival of the fittest.

CHAPTER TEN: SECURING MAINE'S FUTURE

Our Commitment:

Rebuilding Maine's future must come with a commitment to secure Maine's future. Maine's success must be envisioned from a 50,000ft view of past mistakes, current solutions and a vision for future investment and security in the world that we live in. The David Jones administration is committed to setting up Maine's future generations for long-term success in a state with safe and long lasting infrastructure.

1. Update our Aging Infrastructure

Maine's infrastructure on all levels is old and outdated. Our bridges and systems need updating to modern standards. As Maine pursues new energy solutions as outlined in Chapter 2, the state must also modernize its infrastructure to support this new energy paradigm and make Maine attractive for business investment. Infrastructure upgrades and updates to the modern standard is a stated priority of the David Jones administration.

2. Electric Grid Updates

Maine's electric grid is one of the least reliable in the nation. To attract investment, Maine must lead on energy infrastructure with heavy grid modernization investments paired with collaborative partnerships with private industry and the federal government. Improving and updating Maine's grid to 21st century standards is a vital piece of rebuilding Maine's future. The electric grid is the life blood of business and the Jones administration will do everything in its power to see that electric power delivery systems are healthy going forward in Maine.

3. Critical Infrastructure Security

It is the responsibility of the Maine government to protect our critical infrastructure from bad actors. Updating security standards for networks and critical systems against malicious cyber attackers is a stated priority of the David Jones administration. Our electrical grid infrastructure must also have updated and increased security features to protect our state from potential terror attacks. Maine must have built in and updated redundancies and contingency plans with regard to critical infrastructure.

CHAPTER ELEVEN: GOVERNOR'S OFFICES

Our Commitment:

In the recent past the Governor's office has been used for climate hysteria, Green grift, and giving benefits to new arrivals from other countries over Mainers who work and pay taxes in our state. That ends under Governor David Jones. The Governor's Executive Offices in the David Jones administration will be used to protect Maine's most vulnerable, prepare our future trades workforce, ignite our business sector and make our government smaller, more efficient and get the most return on investment for your tax dollars.

1. Diamond Office of Child Welfare

This Governor's Office is named in honor of the late State Senator Bill Diamond. Senator Diamond's work advancing child welfare within DHHS is well known, as is the charity he founded, *Walk a Mile in Their Shoes*. The purpose of the Diamond Office of Child Welfare is to give a seat of government to his mission. The Diamond Office will serve as a base of operations for accountability and a watchdog of child welfare under DHHS or any future division of government that oversees it. The Diamond Office will also serve as a place to craft and pass policy that supports protecting Maine's most vulnerable residents.

2. DOGE - David's Office of Government Efficiency

David's Office of Government Efficiency (DOGE), will be set up to find waste, fraud and abuse in all systems and budgets of the Maine government. The office intends to be a technological leader in accountability and will be staffed by aggressive and entrepreneurial minds focused on streamlining processes and eliminating government bloat, criminality and inefficiencies. The Office will be modeled on the federal DOGE and Governor David Jones will seek to partner with the federal model and stakeholders.

3. Governor's Office of Industrial Arts and Engineering Excellence

This Governor's office will be focused on mainstreaming industrial craftsmanship and engineering in all Maine public schools. In a rural state, blue collar skills are king. Outside of Maine's urban centers, the fastest path to earning six figures straight out of high school is often through the trades. This strong work ethic and entrepreneurial spirit must be fostered and encouraged to build Maine's next generation of tradesmen and women.

4. Governor's Business Council

This Governor's office will be a purposeful team of rivals. The Governor's Business Council will take the best business minds and leaders in our state and get them innovating for Maine's future. Members will put aside political party, self-interest, and affiliations to serve Maine with a level of laser-focused commitment unseen before. The Council will be tasked with creating an economic strategic plan that is based in the real world on real world business experience. No longer will Maine's economic future be a thought exercise by academics. Now is the time for doers, for workers and reality based leaders. The strategic plan of the Governor's Business Council will be quickly and decisively implemented in the David Jones administration.

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