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S. RES. 544

Recognizing the importance of maple syrup production to Maine and designating March 27, 2022, as “Maine Maple Sunday”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14, 2022

Mr. KING (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the importance of maple syrup production to Maine and designating March 27, 2022, as “Maine Maple Sunday”.

Whereas the art of making sugar and syrup from the sap of the maple tree (also known as *acer saccharinum*) was developed by Native Americans of the Northeastern United States;

Whereas the production of maple syrup in Maine has a seasonal window between January and May, which is when temperatures drop below freezing at night and rise above freezing during the day;

Whereas Maine accounts for 17 percent of United States production of maple syrup and is the third largest producer among the States;

Whereas Maine maple syrup producers make more than 575,000 gallons of syrup annually, generating more than \$27,000,000 for the Maine economy;

Whereas maple syrup production in Maine supports more than 560 full-time and part-time jobs that generate more than \$17,300,000 in wages;

Whereas Maine Maple Sunday has been observed for nearly 40 years, with more than 100 sugarhouses participating from Aroostook to York County, Maine, and attracting thousands of visitors annually;

Whereas Maine Maple Sunday is always observed the fourth Sunday in March; and

Whereas on March 27,2022, Maine maple syrup producers will host the 39th annual Maine Maple Sunday: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates March 27, 2022, as “Maine
3 Maple Sunday”; and

4 (2) recognizes the contribution and importance
5 of maple syrup producers and their families in the
6 State of Maine.

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