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## Sen. Diamond to unveil Maine Bicentennial Coin

AUGUSTA – Maine Bicentennial Commission Chairman Sen. Bill Diamond will unveil the Maine Bicentennial Commemorative Coin on Monday, November 25, at the Maine State House in Augusta.

The event is slated for **the Hall of Flags at 10:45 a.m.** The coins will be available for purchase.

“From the beginning, we received requests for a commemorative coin to mark this historic anniversary of Maine’s Statehood,” said Sen. Diamond. “Our staff created a pleasing design that features multiple facets of Maine life, and incorporates our bicentennial slogan: ‘Leading the Way.’”

“These coins are an ideal keepsake for anyone who loves Maine, and, as we embark upon our State’s bicentennial year, would make a thoughtful and appropriate holiday gift.”

The obverse of the coin highlights the expansiveness and pristine beauty of Maine, showing a moose in the foreground, and Mt. Kineo and Moosehead Lake in the background. The reverse shows the landscape of Monhegan Harbor in the background, and a working waterfront with moored fishing boats. Staff members Bradley Sawyer and Kristen Schulze Muszynski designed the coin with input from the Commission’s [Marketing Subcommittee](#).

“These iconic Maine symbols, alongside the statehood and bicentennial dates of 1820-2020, symbolize Maine’s embrace and maintenance of our natural wonders, and recognizes that our environment will remain as vital to us in the future as it has been throughout our history,” said Sen. Diamond.

Two hundred coins are available in nickel and numbered on their edge, making them highly collectible. Sen. Diamond will present coin number one to Gov. Janet Mills. A limited minting of unnumbered brass coins will also be available for purchase throughout the bicentennial commemoration period.

The Bicentennial Commission will sell numbered coins on a first-come, first-served basis at the unveiling event. Buyers will be limited to purchasing no more than two numbered coins.

After the unveiling event, the coins will be available for purchase on the [Maine200 webstore](#), including any numbered coins still available.

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