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Maine Voices: As Ranks of LGBTQ Elders Grow, State Should Focus on Protecting Their Rights

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It is time for hopeful change. As the current presidential administration continues to threaten the hard-earned and deserved rights of LGBTQ individuals nationwide, the people of Maine have elected a new government, and in January, the hope that Maine can stand strong in defending its people from discrimination and marginalization transitions from an intangible feeling to a reality. With pro-equality representatives in the State House, Mainers will have a greater chance of protection from the unwarranted human rights attacks at the federal level.