

# OPINION

## Louise Andrus's View From Concord August 2022

Louise Andrus, State Representative

It is with pleasure that I would like to congratulate some of the students I have learned about from Andover, Danbury, and Salisbury on their college achievements.

Kaitlyn Abele of Danbury graduated from the University of New Hampshire. She earned a BSET degree in Mechanical Engineering Tech.

Madalyn Pfeifer of Andover graduated with a Doctor of Physical Therapy in the Graduate College from the University of Vermont.

Matthew Slick of Andover received a Bachelor of Arts degree from College of the Holy Cross.

Elizabeth Abrahamson of Andover graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Sciences from the University of Vermont.

Courtney Nepveu of Danbury was a graduate of the Class of 2022 and earned an Associate of Science in Nursing from Vermont Tech.

Ashlynn Hatch of Danbury has been named to the Dean's List for Spring 2022 by the University of New Hampshire.

Deanna Holmes of Salisbury has been named to the Dean's List for Spring 2022 by the University of Hartford.

Garrett D. Munson of Andover has been named to Husson University's President's List for the Spring 2022 semester.

Jadyn L. Holmes of Salisbury has been named to Husson University's Honors List for the Spring 2022 semester.

There were very important bills passed in this House Session, but one that is an asset for all of us was passed and signed by the Governor. The bill was HB 1439, relative to health care facility visitation policies. This law will allow a specified family member to be present and to serve as a patient advocate when a person is in a medical facility.

This is a much needed law. For example, when my husband was in the hos-

pital with COVID, I was not allowed in to see him, and I was not allowed to be there to know how he was being treated medically and what drugs were being administered to him. I had never experienced anything of this nature before in my life. I felt my husband's rights had been violated. This new law will correct the deficiency in a patient's rights.

A few weeks ago I read a letter in the *Beacon*, and in the article it was requesting people to take down particular signs. Then I was approached about other signs in Andover. I will be brief and to the point on the Freedom of Speech. The US Constitution in the First Amendment states the following: Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

The New Hampshire Constitution states: [Art.] 22. [Free Speech; Liberty of the Press.] Free speech and Liberty of the press are essential to the security of Freedom in a State: They ought, therefore, to be inviolably preserved. June 2, 1784. Amended 1968 to include free speech, which is also known as Question 6, was on the ballot on November

5, 1968 as a constitutional convention referral. It was approved by the voters of New Hampshire –Yes 185,340 and No 27,797.

Freedom of Speech is part of our rights, and the Freedom of Speech is here to stay. That means that any person can display signs whether agreeable or not to others. That right will never be taken away from us.

I am not sure where to start, but we all need to be concerned about the raging out of control inflation inflicted upon us. As of this writing the June CPI was 9.1%, the highest in 40 years. I lived through the inflation of the '70s and '80s, but it was not as harmful as the current inflation. We cannot sustain this rate of inflation.

I am very worried with winter coming in a few months as to how many people are going to pay the light bill and the heating bill and buy food. I am thoroughly disgusted with our federal government not opening up the oil pipelines in this country, which in my opinion would have averted the high prices of gas and diesel. Yet we can sell our oil reserves to China. Ludicrous!

Another situation that has brought us to where we are is the new green deal. I am in favor of working toward making  
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### RE-ELECT INCUMBENT New Hampshire House Representative Louise ANDRUS

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1. Some of the reasons a voter should vote for me in the Primary on September 13<sup>th</sup>, and then vote for me in the General Election on November 8<sup>th</sup> is because I am an Honest, Native NH Conservative. Next, I am not a politician. American theologian, James Freeman Clarke said, "The difference between a politician and a statesman is that a politician thinks about the next election while the statesman thinks about the next generation." I think about working for and serving the people of Andover, Danbury, Hill, Salisbury and Webster here and now while preserving NH for future generations.
2. My platform is that I am: PRO LIFE, PRO SECOND AMENDMENT, PRO LAW ENFORCEMENT, PRO VETERAN, PRO GUN, PRO SCHOOL CHOICE, PRO LIMITED GOVERNMENT, AND PRO SMALL BUSINESS.
3. I will always DEFEND the U. S. Constitution and New Hampshire Constitution, and I will BE A VOICE for the people of Andover, Danbury, Hill, Salisbury, Webster and FIGHT FOR all citizens on the "Live Free or Die" we stand for.
4. I PLEDGE TO VOTE AGAINST an income tax, sales tax, and any tax increases for the citizens or business owners of NH
5. I stand with every Parent in that any and all decisions that relate to their child, the Parent and the parent alone makes decisions for that child. No one else is ever granted that right.

In my opinion the Democrats have with their policies turned our Country in the wrong direction with out of control inflation which is at a 40 year high and in June at a 9.1% CPI. This unsustainable inflation includes but is not limited to food, gas, diesel, home heating oil and gas and propane, electricity, building materials, etc. And to top it off 5 million barrels of oil from our reserves were sold to a China company. Open border policies allow each and every day an invasion of our Country on the Southern border of thousands of illegal immigrants. In many cities across the Country police have been defunded. Enough is enough. Time to turn it all around by voting Republican.

It is my opinion that in New Hampshire there have been attacks on anyone that is "Liberty" minded. It happened to me in an article in the Beacon several months ago because the New Hampshire Liberty Alliance had rated my votes on bills at 100%. **What is the definition of "Liberty?"** Answer: The quality or state of being free. The power to do as one pleases. The power of choice. Limited government. **What is the definition of a "Libertarian?"** This is the definition that I found, "A **Libertarian** is committed to the principle that liberty is the most important political value. Liberty means being free to make your own choices about your own life ." What is wrong with living your life as you choose and having limited government? I like the definition of and I live by Liberty, and if someone wants to "label" me because I believe in being free and the power to make my own choices, then that is okay with me as I love being FREE and I choose FREEDOM for everyone else.

Have a great summer. If you would like to chat I can be reached at 603 648-2510 and leave a message and I will return your call. Or email me at l.a.andrus21@gmail.com or louise.andrus@leg.state.nh.us Or stop in and see me at 406 Raccoon Hill Rd, Salisbury. Your input is important to me.

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