

IN RE CHILD OF JASMINE B.

Submitted on Briefs April 21, 2021

Decided April 29, 2021

Panel: MEAD, GORMAN, JABAR, HUMPHREY, and CONNORS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Jasmine B. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Portland, *Woodman, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child. Contrary to the mother's contentions, her failure to effectively engage in mental health treatment and her inability to make progress toward reunification in the seventeen months that the Department has been involved with the mother support the court's findings, by clear and convincing evidence, of two grounds of parental unfitness, and the court's findings of unfitness are supported by sufficient record evidence. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i)-(ii) (2021); *In re Children of Jamie P.*, 2020 ME 85, ¶ 8, 236 A.3d 449. We also discern no abuse of discretion in the court's finding that termination is in the best interest of the child. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2021); *In re Child of Louise G.*, 2020 ME 87, ¶ 11, 236 A.3d 445.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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