

IN RE CHILD OF TIFFANY H.

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Decided October 28, 2021

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., MEAD, GORMAN, JABAR, HUMPHREY, HORTON, and  
CONNORS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Tiffany H. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Skowhegan, *Nale, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child after a testimonial hearing. Contrary to the mother's argument, the court was not required to credit her testimony, *see In re Keegan M.*, 2017 ME 203, ¶ 6, 171 A.3d 586, and the record contains sufficient evidence to support the court's findings, by clear and convincing evidence, that the mother did not make a good faith effort to rehabilitate and reunify with the child, and that she is unable to protect the child from jeopardy, or take responsibility for the child, in a time reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii), (iv) (2021). The record also contains sufficient competent evidence to support the court's best interest determination, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2021), and we discern no error or abuse of discretion in the court's determination that termination of the mother's parental rights was in the best interest of the child, *see In re Children of Tiyonie R.*, 2019 ME 34, ¶ 6, 203 A.3d 824.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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