

IN RE CHILD OF HEATHER L.

Submitted on Briefs January 25, 2023

Decided February 2, 2023

Panel: MEAD, JABAR, HORTON, CONNORS, and LAWRENCE, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Heather L. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Bridgton, *Churchill, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child. Contrary to the mother's arguments, we discern no error or abuse of discretion in the court's termination of the mother's parental rights. There is sufficient evidence in the record to support the court's findings regarding parental unfitness and the child's best interest. *See, e.g.*, 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b)(iv) (2022); *In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶¶ 7, 9, 11, 236 A.3d 438; *In re Child of Amelia C.*, 2020 ME 28, ¶¶ 3-6, 227 A.3d 156. Nor did the court abuse its discretion in concluding that termination of the mother's parental rights was in the child's best interest. *See, e.g.*, 22 M.R.S. § 4050 (2022); *In re Child of Jessica C.*, 2020 ME 63, ¶¶ 8-9, 232 A.3d 224; *In re Child of Katherine C.*, 2019 ME 146, ¶¶ 2, 4, 217 A.3d 68; *In re K.M.*, 2015 ME 79, ¶ 11, 118 A.3d 812; *In re Children of Anthony M.*, 2018 ME 146, ¶¶ 11, 13-15, 195 A.3d 1229.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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