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LD 2007

Dear Sen. Carney, Rep. Moonen, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary,

I am writing today to express my strong support of LD 2007, An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki Nations. Passing this bill will help the Wabanaki tribes access federal opportunities to expand environmental protections, increase access to health care, respond to natural disasters, foster job creation and economic development, protect safe drinking water, and much more. It's time to move relations between the State of Maine and Wabanaki Nations forward by removing the barriers set in 1980 which has since resulted in a 30 year economic disadvantage for the Wabanaki tribes as compared to the other 570 federally recognized sovereign nations across the country. For these reasons, and on the basis of fairness and equity for the Wabanaki, I ask that you please vote ought to pass and make right a long standing injustice.

Thank you.

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