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Houlton N/A  
LD 2007

To: Senator Carney, Representative Moonen and Members of the Joint Standing  
Committee on Judiciary  
From: Marilyn Roper, 45 High St., Houlton, Maine 04730  
Re: Support for LD 2007 An Act to Advance Self-Determination for  
Wabanaki Nations

As a resident of Houlton, I urge you to unanimously support LD2007. The Houlton Band of Maliseets is and has been contributing much to the well being of the Houlton area. More benefits would result if the Houlton Band and other Wabanaki communities could receive the jurisdiction and opportunities granted to the over 500 other Federally Recognized tribes in the USA. They are sovereign Nations, not municipalities!

It is long past time to rectify the injustices contained in the 1980 Implementing Act. You can do so now. Please do. And thank you for your careful consideration of this most important matter.