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LD 2007

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

My name is Leah Flumerfelt, and I'm a resident of Portland. I'm writing today to testify in support of LD 2007. The People of the First Light deserve justice and respect. The Mi'kmaq, Passamaquoddy, Penobscot, Abenaki and Maliseet Nations are in their sovereign homelands and I am so grateful they are still here and thriving today. I am a White person who is descended from hundreds of colonial settlers many or all of whom who committed atrocities and violence against Wabanaki people under the Doctrine of Domination. Please see the films "Dawnland: A story of stolen children and cultural survival", and The Doctrine of Discovery: Unmaking the Domination Code" by Stephen T. Newcomb. It is uplifting to realize the action we can take now - to respect and celebrate the Wabanaki people's right to self determination.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Leah V Flumerfelt (digital signature 2/24/2024 3:57 pm)