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I urge the passage of bill LD2007. It is my conviction that the opposition to this bill by some in this state will only deny basic rights to the Wabanaki Nation. Any perceived complications that might result from passage of this bill are far outweighed by the advantages that will be finally accorded to the Maine tribes. The rights to better health and well-being, education, and economic advancement are all being hindered by delays in the passage of this bill. The Wabanaki peoples deserve the rights and dignity that are accorded to other tribes recognized by the federal government.