Katie Greenman Orland LD 2007

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Mooney and Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Katie Greenman and I live in Orland on land that I recognize was once inhabited by ancestors of Wabanaki People. I consider myself a steward not an owner. For years I worked in the Old Town School system as a librarian and as I lived in close proximity to the Penobscot Nation. I recognized historic prejudices and stereotypes perpetuated in Maine communities and schools and I felt a duty to educate myself and share new approaches with teachers and students as well as invite members of the Penobscot Nation to share their voices. In more recent years I have participated in workshops offered by Wabanaki Reach.

Today I am writing in full support of LD 2007. It is time to recognize the rights of the Wabanaki Nations consistent with Federal Indian Law. Vote for Justice and LD 2007.

Sincerely, Katie Greenman Orland