

Brenda Moot
Winterport
LD 2007

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

From: Brenda Moot, 310 North Road, Winterport, ME 04496

Re: Support for LD 2007, An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki
Nations

Thank you for your time and consideration on this very important issue. I am a voter in Winterport, ME which is also Wabanaki homeland. I love these lands and waters and enjoy hiking, kayaking, gardening, and exploring many beautiful places here in Maine. The Wabanaki people love these lands and waters, too, and have been excellent stewards of this home we all share. Since 1980 and the Settlement Act, Maine has caused great harm to our Wabanaki friends and neighbors. We are the only state in the USA that has created legal obstacles that interfere with Federal recognition of the Wabanaki tribes. Please let us move forward to vote yes on LD2007 and make a better future for the Wabanaki people and Maine people!

I ask you to support LD 2007 in order to acknowledge Wabanaki sovereignty and allow them to self-govern as ALL other federally recognized tribes in the USA are able to do under Federal Law. More than 100 bipartisan legislators support LD2007, including Senate President Troy Jackson and House Minority Leader Billy Bob Faulkingham.

Thank you again for your time, consideration, and hard work on this issue,
Sincerely, Brenda Moot