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Hello, my name is Alex Wu and I encourage you to vote OTP on LD 2007 An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki Nations.

We live on the unceded land of the Wabanaki, yet our government controls them. The indigenous tribes of this land deserve the fundamental right to self-determination as the first people of this land.

This land is the land of the sovereign people of the Wabanaki Confederacy: the Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Maliseet, Mi'kmaq, and Abenaki peoples.

After the failure of LD 2004 to pass due to Janet Mill's veto and a failed veto override last year, Maine's tribal communities do not even have the right to benefit from law without explicitly being written into them. LD 2004 failed to pass because a good bill got caught up in partisan politics. I implore you all to pass this bill in respect of the fact that LD 2004 did not pass. Our legislature did not serve the Wabanaki Federation then, nor its legislation. The time to make amends is now.