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LD 958

I am writing in support of amending the 1980 Land Claim Settlement Act to include clear language prohibiting the State of Maine, my home state, from ever again imposing Eminent Domain over the sovereign nation of Wabanaki people. Given previous generations of unfair and harmful treatment of our indigenous people by our state and by our federal government, this amendment is a small step on the path to acknowledge past harm and to build trust. My hope is that this piece of legislation will help to ensure that a thriving Wabanaki Nation exists and works in concert with the State of Maine to act as good stewards of our lands and ecosystems as well as our people. Please adopt LD 958. While we can't change our past, we can take this important step for the good of future generations of the State of Maine and for the good of the Wabanaki Nation.