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LD 1763

Dear Sen. Baldacci, Rep. Roberts, and IFWC Members:

I am writing to voice my full support for LD 1763, legislation to ban Floating Camps on Maine lakes.

Such floating camps would set in motion countless adverse effects to habit and adversely impact survival of already struggling fish, ducks and other aquatic populations.

The garbage and human waste that would be discharged or otherwise find its way into lake waters would set off a cascade of impacts that would cause additional pollution and wreak unforeseen and lasting environmental havoc.

I have been lucky to enjoy the privacy and serenity of my property on Sebec Lake for 40 years. In this busy world it is the only haven to find peace and a dark sky.

To allow floating camps just off shore would be akin to allowing campers to pitch tents and take up residence on sidewalks right outside our doors.

It is not difficult to imagine the stress and tension that would develop and rob a whole property-owning lakeside community of their right to the quiet enjoyment of their homes.

So, to safeguard the environment, protect ecology, ensure a harmonious community and a host of other reasons (not to mention common sense), I would ask you to ban lakeside camps for the greater good.

Respectfully submitted,
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