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My name is Robin Yurkevicz and I am a resident of Orland, Maine and a lakefront owner on Toddy Pond. I am also the Secretary of Toddy Pond Association. I am writing to urge you to fund this bill that establishes a fund for dam repairs. The Toddy dam is categorized as a high hazard dam and as such would need immediate repair if damaged by severe weather event. This fund would provide the means to quickly access funds in a time of emergency. We have seen what heavy rain events have done in Vermont recently and how our own coast suffered in the winter of 2023-2024 because of severe weather. Establishing this fund is critical in a time of changing climate and less available federal funds. I am in favor of passage of this bill.