Claire Perry Liberty/Owls Head Maine2 LD 1724

Honorable Committee Members of the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Department.

SUPPORT (with amendment)

I understand and support the purpose of this bill.

However,I think it wise and opportune to consider requiring this land be deemed a wildlife sanctuary. Unlike preserves or reserves, a sanctuary is where both the people and the wildlife can exist in relative safety. It is also where badly needed studies can be done, where hunting and trapping are not a consideration. Such studies are long over-due; especially in light of the non-stop and poorly regulated killing of our coyotes, both day and night.

This would also be in keeping with the vision that Percival Baxter held dear for the land he set aside for both the wildlife and public enjoyment.

Thank you, Claire Perry