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LD 928

Testimony in Support of LD 928, a Resolution Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Right to a Healthy Environment

My name is Natasha Mayers and I live in Whitefield, a town where sludge was spread in the 90's and my neighbors can't drink their water.

As an artist, mother, grandmother, nature lover, I hope you will vote “ought to pass” on LD 928, to ensure that we shall have the right to a clean and healthy environment way into the future. Protecting the health of our land and water and wildlife is essential to our Maine identity, our well-being and prosperity. The PTA will strengthen environmental justice by ensuring all communities – regardless of race, ethnicity or income – have the same rights to clean water and air and healthy environments. It is the duty of all government officials to protect all communities equitably.

Maine must pass this kind of environmental amendment, like Pennsylvania, Montana and most recently New York have done to prevent harmful mining operations, protect water and land from PFAS contamination, require consideration of impacts before permitting environmentally damaging operations, secure cleanup of toxic contamination, and more. Thank you for conserving and protecting our future.