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I, Elaine Therriault, live in West Village Mobile home park, Monmouth ME. The park is currently under contract for purchase by Blue Rock Coop, to become the 3rd resident owned community in Maine. I am not in favor of changing the requirement of 51% to 60% of the resident occupancy. Initially, the 51% was obtained in favor of park purchase. There was some hesitancy from residents at first due to unknown information. Once the initial meeting for residents of the park was formed, and they attended an informational meeting, the percentage went up significantly to join the Blue rock co-op.

I am also not in favor of supporting the limitation of contacting mobile home owners with a limitation of 3 times. This only places a significant barrier in reaching the goal of becoming a resident owned park. People work, are not home, dont respond initially to first or second contact. with support and education of becomng resident owned, the interest increased.

to end my testimony, i am on disability, live on a fixed income, and take care of my 15 year old grandson. To miss the opportunity to become a resident owned park would be devastating to us, in that if an outside entitiy or investor were to purchase the park, and allow lot rentals to increase without control, we would likely become homeless.