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I feel very strongly as a mother of three boys all born and raised in the Bangor region that the sale of flavored tobacco products must stop. My two older children -- now 21 and 25 started vaping and juuling while still in high school. They would tell us all the time that it was much "safer" than smoking and that "everyone did it." They claimed it was not nearly as addictive. They would compare flavors. We would find juul pods all over our house. Unlike smoking cigarettes which have been banned in so many public places they felt emboldened to vape or juul where ever or whenever they liked as it doesn't smell like a traditional cigarette and therefore is not considered as offensive. For both of our son's vaping and juuling were gateways to smoking cigarettes, cigars, and pot. I beg you to stop the selling and marketing of these products to children. As our youngest son starts to get closer and closer to high school age I worry that he too will fall into the same trap our older sons did. We need you to stop it.