Carlton Mills Belfast LD 693

Dear members of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee,

My name is Carlton Mills and I live in Belfast. I spend the summer on Lake St George. I am asking for your support today for LD 693, a bill that would prohibit large wake generating boats from within 500' of shore and in water less than 20' deep.

I am concerned that repeated large wakes close to shore will damage/erode the shoreline, disturb the natural shoreline environment both onshore and in the water, and pose a danger to children. I have six grandchildren ages 2 to 11 that use the lake repeatedly in the summer.

I support LD 693 as a common-sense solution that will keep large-wake-generating boats on the water but direct them to places where they can operate safely .

Please vote to support LD 693 as a smart way to assure safe boating opportunities for everyone on our publicly owned Great Ponds.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important bill.

Sincerely, Carlton L Mills 37 Franklin st, Belfast Maine 153 Brown Rd., Liberty, Maine