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LD 395

I am writing to express my strong support of LD 395 – An Act to Restore Access to Federal Laws Beneficial to the Wabanaki Nations.

For the past three years I have been a member of the Wabanaki Ally Team at First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church in Portland and have been learning about issues that impact our Maine tribes. I am very concerned about the unjust ways our state treats our Wabanaki tribal members, feeling those actions are justified by the outdated Settlement Acts. I believe that whenever Congress passes legislation that affects federally recognized tribes, that the Wabanaki Nations should automatically be included. I ask you to pass this bill which would allow all Maine tribes to benefit from future and most existing federal legislation.

Thank you for your work and for representing all Mainers.

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