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LD 785

Testimony in Support of LD 785

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Andrea Lieser, and I live in Castine, Maine. I urge you to support LD 785. Last year, while conducting research on Aboriginal food sovereignty in Australia, I saw firsthand how restoring Indigenous self-governance strengthens community health, economic resilience, and environmental stewardship. In contrast, Maine's current settlement framework uniquely restricts the sovereignty of the Wabanaki Nations, limiting their ability to govern their lands, resources, and economies. LD 785 would correct these structural barriers and move Maine toward a fair, modern government-to-government relationship. I respectfully ask you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 785.

Respectfully,
Andrea Lieser
Castine, Maine