Sierra Fletcher Yarmouth LD 511

I write to encourage the Transportation Committee to vote in SUPPORT of LD 511. I live in Yarmouth and have biked and walked across the unused train tracks many times, wishing that they provided me a safe and easy way to head towards Portland or go inland. How wonderful that you have the opportunity before you to make it so!

I have two school-aged children and, as their caregiver, I am increasingly concerned about safety in biking on roadways (both theirs and my own). The trail would provide a car-free means of accessing different parts of our community, Main Street businesses, longer-distance exploration to other towns or into Portland as they get older.

This is a practical opportunity to leverage existing, unused infrastructure for the benefit of Maine people.