

I Support the People of Maine, Including Future Generations, Having a Constitutional Right to Pure Water, Clean Air, a Stable Climate and Healthy Environments.

Despite having a well-developed system of environmental laws that have provided important protections to our water, air and natural landscapes--vulnerable communities, including the elderly, Indigenous and people of color, across our great state of Maine continue to be seriously harmed by pollution and environmental degradation.

There is clearly a gap in Maine's environmental protection laws, policies and programs that can and should be filled by constitutional recognition of our environmental rights, including those of future generations.

Given that we all depend upon pure water, clean air, a stable climate & a healthy environment to support and sustain our healthy lives and our healthy economy, it is right and appropriate that they should be protected with the same legal strength that we protect the other political, civil, property and human rights we hold dear.

We, the undersigned, support the passage of a Maine Green Amendment which will amend the Declaration of Rights section of our state constitution by adding a new section that will recognize:

- The people of the state, including future generations, have the right to a clean and healthy environment, including pure water, clean air, healthy ecosystems, and a stable climate, and to the preservation of the natural, cultural, scenic and healthful qualities of the environment.
- The state, including each branch, agency, and political subdivision, shall serve as trustee of the natural resources of the state, among them its waters, air, flora, fauna, climate and public lands. The state shall conserve, protect, and maintain these resources for the benefit of all the people, including generations yet to come.
- The rights stated in this section are inherent, inalienable, and inalienable and are among those rights reserved to all the people and are on par with other protected inalienable rights. The provisions of this section are self-executing.

Respectfully,

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