CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

Resolution Supporting Passage of The Pine Tree Amendment to Maine’s Constitution, LD 489

Whereas, every person in Camden deserves the right to a clean and healthy environment and to the perseveration of the natural, cultural, and healthful qualities of the environment;

Whereas, the State should conserve, protect, and maintain the State’s natural resources, including, but not limited to, its air, water, land and ecosystems for the benefit of all the people, including generations yet to come;

Whereas, the 130th Maine Legislature has developed legislation to grant these rights to all citizens in the State by proposing to amend the Constitution of Maine, via LD 489, entitled “Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish a Right to a Healthy Environment”;

Whereas, the committee amendment of LD 489 that would send this amendment to the Constitution of Maine to the voters of Maine for approval or disapproval has received initial bipartisan support in both the Senate and House of Representatives of the Maine Legislature, but not yet the two-thirds majority vote required for a constitutional amendment; and

Whereas, this proposed legislation is supported by all current legislators elected by Camden citizens in the 130th Maine Legislature;

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Select Board of the Town of Camden that,

The Town of Camden strongly urges both the Senate and House of Representatives of the Maine Legislature to pass The Pine Tree Amendment to the Constitution of Maine, LD 489, as currently amended, by the required two-thirds majority.

Voted by the Town of Camden, Maine Select Board, this 5th day of October 2021

/s/ Robert Falciani

Robert Falciani, Chair – Camden Select Board