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To Whom It May Concern,

As a generational Mainer, I think mining has no place in my state. It seems as if it is an impossibility to mine without some negative and most likely toxic effect on the environment. I also strongly believe that it is time and way past time to listen to our indigenous peoples' concerns. For instance the Houlton Band of the Maliseets:

“The effects of mining would lead to devastation to all that is important to our practices, our traditions and our ways of life,” Maliseet Tribal Chief Brenda Commander said. “Mining and mining exploration, especially near water, could disturb or more likely destroy our valuable and even sacred cultural resources.”

Sincerely,

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