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Dear Friend of Maine Lakes,

We live in challenging times. Every day brings another headline designed to divide us from friends and neighbors. Political disagreements have become personal. Social media rewards outrage.

Although many issues divide us, we can all agree that protecting Maine's lakes and ponds is a cause that brings us together.

We all know the value of Maine's lakes. Stand quietly at the edge of a lake on an early summer morning to watch the mist lift off the water. Listen to the call of a loon and the croak of a frog. See children learning to paddle, families casting for fish, swimmers cooling off on a hot afternoon, or friends gathering around a campfire as the sun sets over the shoreline.

In these moments, divisions disappear and we are united in our shared vision of a clean and healthy future for all of Maine's lakes.

Your gift to Maine Lakes unites us around that vision. Please donate today.

Your donation supports our statewide work with the Lake Protection Coalition, the annual Lake Conference, the Freshwater Education Network, LakeSmart, and much more.

Maine Lakes brings people together around our shared passion for lake protection. Growing threats and multi-faceted challenges on Maine's lakes make bringing even more people together to support lake protection essential.

By giving to Maine Lakes, you are supporting collaborations, coalitions, and programming that unites us, inspires us, and most importantly, moves us to take action that protects the future of our lakes.

Thank you for all you do to protect our lakes, and for giving to Maine Lakes today.

With gratitude,

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