July 5, 2023

Brian Ambrette, Senior Climate Resilience Coordinator

Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
181 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Brian Ambrette,

We are writing to express support for the Town of Bowdoinham’s application to the Community Resilience Partnership’s Community Action Grant for the waterfront redevelopment project. As the Community Development Advisory Committee, we look forward to the redevelopment of the property as it will greatly enhance the waterfront assets in Town in a way that will support our core economic strengths – the arts, by expanding outdoor public spaces to be inspired and creative; agriculture, by creating more capacity for Farmers’ Market growth and improvements; and outdoor recreation, by creating greater capacity to support a broad range of outdoor activities and for a broader users-group. It is also the focus location for our first car charging station which will also attract visitors.

Our committee has done a tremendous job expanding broadband internet access to the far-corners of Bowdoinham, making it a place where people can choose to work remotely. I feel the well-planned improvements of the waterfront park will create an additional draw to entice new investment in the community and help to attract a skilled labor force to the area.

Signed,

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Jean de Bellefeuille, Chair

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Leleah Parker, Secretary

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