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Dear Chair Bennett and honorable members of the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee, Representative Costantino and Senator Tikoian,

I am writing to enthusiastically support H7071, which would prohibit the importation, transportation, disbursement, distribution, sale, or purchase of any species of non-native (exotic) invasive plants. We are the only New England State that doesn't have a list of prohibited plants. Invasive plants are a huge problem for our natural ecosystems. Please help protect our native plants and all the insects and animals that depend on them by keeping invasives out! This bill would prohibit the sale of these plant species at nurseries, garden centers and anywhere plants are sold in the state. It wouldn't make it illegal to grow them, but it would cut down on the pipeline going in to people's gardens. I myself inadvertently planted a couple of invasive species before I knew any better and I have huge regrets as I fight them back every spring....

Please pass this bill out of committee and to the House floor with a recommendation for passage.

Thank you so much!!!

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