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To whom it may concern-

I am in favor of passing the Natural Forest Act. In a time where domestic preservation & biodiversity is at a turning point, I strongly urge everyone involved to support this Act. While I support progression, it would be a devastating effect to not protect our native woodlands...once they are gone, they're gone. Replacing them would be impossible.

I've been a lifelong resident of RI for 62 years, and enjoy hiking, fishing & camping with family and friends all around our state. Our children have were brought up to appreciate what we have right in our backyard all around us and chose to settle here in RI and raise their families because of our natural, organic rich nature. We have it all right here; woods, forest, beaches, lakes, ponds and reservoirs and with that comes a very large assortment of domestic horticulture and wildlife.

We've lost so much recently to solar farms and developments. Please place this Natural Forest Protection Act H 7914 in place to assure we keep one finger on what keeps RI'ers here, what brings them back and what will attract others to our beautiful state for years to come.

Thank you,  
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