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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a cottage owner at Lake Bashan in East Haddam, CT and am part of the Wildwood Association, Cottage #18. I highly encourage you to support HB 5583, An Act Concerning An Agreement Regarding Annual Water Level Draw Down At Bashan Lake In The Town Of East Haddam. There are several reasons why this bill is needed. By drawing down the lake, docks and walls will be protected from ice damage which has the potential of costing property owners hundreds if not thousands of dollars. Non-native weeds are killed when the lake is lowered. I'm sure that you are very familiar with the milfoil difficulties that most Connecticut lakes face. By not lowering the lake, this plant left unchecked will cause swimming hazards near the shoreline as well as boating difficulties. Also, when the lake is lowered, property owners can repair existing walls and docks in the fall. For the above reasons, please give your support to this proposal. Thank you for your help in this matter!

Sincerely,

Arnold Olson