

To Whom it May Concern:

I too, am writing in support of House Bill #5583 allowing the town of East Haddam and the Bashan Lake Association to have the ability to say when and how much of the level of the water will be drawn down on Bashan Lake on a yearly basis.

As an extended family member of a homeowner on Bashan Lake, it saddens me to even think that the possibility of NOT signing this Bill, will negatively impact so many people and the joy that they share for generations to come. The residents and the Bashan Lake Association respect and take pride in their lake community and work closely together to help maintain the environment and its natural inhabitants and resources. Allowing the residents to support their community will help to preserve the environment, which will increase property values, (generating a strong tax base for the state), while promoting a safe and healthy recreational spot for many families who have spent generations of enjoyment at the Lake. Thank you for considering the signing of House Bill #5583.

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