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Dear Friends,

I wish I could join you in person for Lakes Congress 2025. Please know that I am with you in spirit as you gather to build partnerships, share best practices and brainstorm ways to conserve the health and unique charm of New Hampshire's lakes. Thank you to the natural resource stewards, managers, businesses, local leaders and everyone else in attendance. Your presence here today and your year-round commitment to our lakes are truly commendable.

Everyone here understands that the value of New Hampshire's lakes extends far beyond their natural beauty. Their waters and watersheds impact public health, provide habitat for wildlife, help drive the local economy, offer recreational opportunities to residents and tourists alike and give students of all ages a setting where they can study and experience the complex natural world around us. As new environmental challenges arise and our understanding of science evolves, so too must we renew our approach to preserving these natural resources for all to enjoy for generations to come. I urge you to lean into today's conversations, develop relationships with like-minded peers and bring everything you learn back to your communities and local networks.

Thank you to everyone gathered here today for your efforts to turn awareness into concrete action that will keep New Hampshire's lakes clean and healthy. I look forward to hearing more about today's conversations, and I wish you all the best as you continue your good work.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Shaheen

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