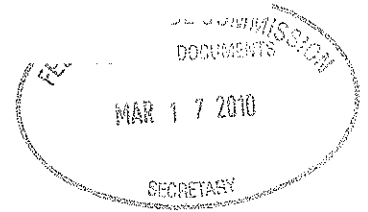


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To Whom It May Concern:

This is in response to an article in the Portland Press Herald on 3/10/10 that Whole Foods is attempting to sell their store at 87 Marginal Way in Portland, ME to Trader Joe's East, Inc.

I wholeheartedly support this sale & welcome Trader Joe's to the Portland retail community. They provide a unique product that I now travel 2 hours to Massachusetts to buy. Bringing them to Portland is the right thing to do!

Sincerely,

Sally Thompson