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From: Liz Wagner

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To: Honeth, Naomi

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Re: Trader Joe's in Portland

As frequently as we are in Massachusetts, my husband and I go to visit Trader Joe's. In the past we have written and asked Trader Joe's to consider moving to Portland, Maine. The news that they may purchase the former Wild Oats building is encouraging.

Although Trader Joe's offers similar products to both Whole Foods and Hannaford, I doubt that I would discontinue shopping at both Whole Foods and Hannaford as I do now. I believe that the healthier diets of many Portland citizens will continue with all three stores. Many of my friends, including me, continue to shop at Micucci's, Standard Bakery, and Harbor Fish, to name just a few of the destination food markets in greater Portland that continue to flourish with the new markets.

The real estate location is ideal for commuters, USM residents, office personnel and local neighborhoods who can walk to the corner of Marginal Way and Preble Street. We need to keep the area a vital economic asset to this city.

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