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My name is Charlotte Smith. Recently, I learned that I am a descendant of Tecumseh, my 7th Great Uncle. Tecumseh is a signer of many Treaties in the United States, as was his father. I am a descendant of the first colonist families to Jamestown, Virginia, in the 1,600's. I am speaking up for my ancestors, North America, wildlife across the continent, the land and water that has been under assault by corporate and governments attacks upon the environment in the relentless quest for profits.

I'm a Canadian citizen, who believes i have the right to speak up for the continent where my ancestors lived long before it was called America or the United States, or Canada. I've watched the effects for many years, though I am not a scientist, I am very connected to the wildlife, land and water. I've watched for decades, as corporations and governments tore through the habitats of wildlife everywhere, taking and destroying without conscience or consideration of the consequences. Climate change and extinctions at unprecedented rates are the consequences of greed and it is time to stop this abuse, if Earth is to recover.

I'm asking all involved to consider the future of North America; the United States, Canada, the Arctic are all connected. The animals are connected to the land, water and air. We are connected to the health of the animals, land, water and air. The effects of the fracking, mining, population growth and construction have done damage over the past century, and now we are all facing the devastating effects of climate change. The time to change the ways that brought this plight to our world must be acknowledged now, it will be too late later.

I am asking that you consider the health of the planet, and our shared continent, for the future of all, and stop the attacks on the environment, honor Treaties, honor our shared past and ancestors through the protection of essential forests that will regenerate the ecosystem. Please protect all national forests, parks and essential habitats for wildlife to enable healing everywhere. Thank you.