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**Re: Keweenaw Mountain Lodge  
Dark Sky Nomination**

**International Dark Sky Association:**

**We, at The Mariner North LLC, send this letter to show our strong support for the application/nomination of the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge, Copper Harbor, MI, as an International Dark Sky Park.**

**We have been in business here for 44 years and have seen our small, remote tourist town strive hard to offer our beautiful ancient geology, fresh Lake Superior water, gorgeous vistas and exposure to nature for public access, while still maintaining an environment that allows our customer base to enjoy world renowned trails...hiking, biking, kayaking, skiing etc in a natural, pristine setting.**

**The success of the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge nomination holds benefits not just for their business, but for the community of Copper Harbor and the other businesses as well. Our population is small however, our visiting tourists find our ability to service them very strong. International Dark Sky Association members will find the views from the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge grounds extraordinary, and will also have access to various locations, some easy to access and others worth the effort, on the Keweenaw Peninsula where they can continue to enjoy a complete connection with the cosmos.**

**The Keweenaw Mountain Lodge is open year round and with neighboring businesses has marketing abilities already in place for every season that would facilitate the Dark Sky membership enjoying our natural, unreal world in all seasons.**

**Thank you,**

**Don and Peg Kauppi**

**Owners**