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Howdy! You will have heard plenty of reasons why we need this amendment. I'll add one related to my personal expertise.

The foundation of real economy is ecology. The health or unhealth of our ecology is also the health or unhealth of our real economy; for example, neglecting ecologically excessive pollution provides unjustified economic competitive advantage to polluters, which then would economically incentivize damage to our soils, our farmers' business, our food, our health, and also undermines even the supposed advantage the polluters nominally gained. Notably, our current economic structures systemically force polluters to pollute in order to remain economically viable in a highly competitive market. Moving beyond that illustrative example, so much of the transgressing damages we've inflicted upon ourselves, our families, our neighbors, our environment, our businesses, etc are downstream of our institutional processes which falsely presume our economy and our ecology are largely disparate things, rather than a unified process. For the sake of such things we've so transgressed, and for the sake of sustaining the health of our economy, we must improve our legal and institutional processes regarding such matters; and that is exactly what this amendment enables us to do. By passing this amendment, you will be fulfilling your duty to safeguard the health of our ecology and our economy, especially so for the long run.

Thanks for your service!