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Mr. David Alberg
Superintendent
Monitor National Marine Sanctuary
100 Museum Drive
Newport News, Virginia 23606

Dear Mr. Alberg,

On behalf of The Mariners' Museum's Board of Trustees, I would like to offer the museum's support for the expansion of NOAA's *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary. The Museum truly values its partnership with NOAA via the USS *Monitor* Center and hopes to enhance our interactions with NOAA concerning the expanded *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary.

The Museum's board lauds NOAA's work as your agency seeks to broaden the preservation of shipwrecks off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. In addition to the USS *Monitor*, there are numerous wrecks associated with storms and conflicts found in the 'Graveyard of the Atlantic.' We believe that this sanctuary enlargement can only help keep those historical wrecks safe and ensure that future generations learn of this important maritime history.

Please let me know how The Mariners' Museum can continue to support *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary's activities.

Sincerely,


Anne Conner
Chair, Board of Trustees

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