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President

Hon. Toni Harp
Co-Chair, Appropriations Committee
Legislative Office Building, Room 2700
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Senator Harp,

I am writing to you as a Board Member of the Maritime Aquarium to ask you to please sustain funding of The Maritime Aquarium at the \$531,525 level in the Governor Malloy's budget proposal.

The Maritime Aquarium:

- pays dividends to the State of \$42 million annually in economic impact.
- supports 395 jobs.
- enriches science education for 150,000 students.
- inspires 475,000 visitors, 36% of whom are from out of state.

The Maritime Aquarium not only generates revenue and jobs, it enriches the lives of hundreds of thousands of people and opens educational opportunity for tens of thousands of children.

I thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Hinnant