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To whom it may concern,
I strongly object to the Makah Indian Tribe's proposal to hunt gray whales! It is not environmentally responsible. It is also very cruel to a sentient being. The last (illegal) whale hunt ended in the long, painful death of a beautiful creature!
A culture can be preserved without continuing in ALL of the historic activities. Many cultures thrive in the USA maintaining their traditions through language, music, dance, food and other customs. Killing is not a cultural value that needs to be passed on from generation to generation.
Whales are among the endangered species, their numbers have been drastically reduced in the last 200 years. There is no reason, excuse or argument that can make a case for the Makan Indian Tribe's proposal to hunt gray whales! I hope is it not allowed.
Thank you.

Pat Villa

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