

February 25, 2025

Dear Members of Congress,

The businesses, organizations, and institutions signed below strongly urge you to oppose actions by the Trump administration to dismantle, privatize, or significantly diminish the critical services and functions of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Established by President Richard Nixon in 1970, NOAA has provided life-saving weather forecasting, scientific research, and emergency preparedness services to the American people for more than 50 years. Whether it's tracking hurricanes or safeguarding the country's fisheries, NOAA is vital to the everyday lives and operations of countless communities and businesses that stretch across our nation and the world.

Alarmingly, statements and actions from the new administration indicate intent to downsize, break apart, or even eliminate NOAA. We remain gravely concerned about continued threats to the agency, including staff layoffs and intimidation, deep budget cuts, research censorship, and other actions that jeopardize its critical mission and services. Reports that unauthorized DOGE staffers have infiltrated agency headquarters and demanded access to confidential information are particularly concerning.

If not stopped, further action by the administration to interfere with NOAA's critical services and mission could endanger our economy, health, public safety, and national security. The agency's work is especially crucial as extreme weather events become more frequent and severe, with climate-related natural disasters and extreme weather events costing Americans over <u>\$182 billion</u> last year alone. Undermining NOAA's operations could risk the safety of millions of Americans and destabilize countless industries, from farming and fisheries to energy and finance, threatening job losses and economic downturn.

To protect our communities, businesses, and life-saving public services, we strongly urge you to reject any further attempts to diminish NOAA's critical services and the workforce that provides them. Instead, we call on you to champion efforts to strengthen the agency in its mission to provide the best science, service, and stewardship as the agency works to understand and predict changes in climate, weather, ocean and coasts; to share that knowledge and information with others; and to conserve and manage coastal and marine ecosystems and resources. We are

counting on you to reject reckless efforts to diminish this critical agency–for the future of our health, safety, economies, communities, and ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes resources.

Sincerely,

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Blue Spark Strategies Blue Water Baltimore BluEco Swaps Bradley Beach Business & Community Alliance Brighter Green Bronx River-Sound Shore Audubon Butterfly Business Credit & Travel Solutions, LLC Cahaba Riverkeeper California Marine Sanctuary Foundation Calusa Waterkeeper Campaign for Environmental Literacy Carolina Ocean Alliance Center for Biological Diversity Center for the Blue Economy Cetacean Society International **Chagrin River Watershed Partners** Challenged Sailors San Diego Change the Chamber Chautauqua-Conewango Consortium, A Waterkeeper Alliance Affiliate Chemung Valley Audubon Society Chesapeake Climate Action Network Chesapeake Legal Alliance Chimera Design Christian Council of Delmarva **Claflin School Studios** Clean Fairfax Clean Miami Beach Clean Virginia Waterways Clean Water Action **CLEO** Institute Climate + Energy Project Climate Generation Climate Hawks Vote Climate Law & Policy Project Climate Revolution Action Network NJ Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life Coastal Carolina Riverwatch Coastal Traders Conservation Law Foundation Cook Inletkeeper

Corporate Accountability Lab **CPCArchitects** Creation Justice Ministries Creek Lands Conservation Crescent Beach Landowners Association Crescent Kee Group, LLC **Damdol Enterprises** Dayenu: A Jewish Call to Climate Action DC Environmental Network Debris Free Oceans Deignan Institute for Earth and Spirit Delaware Audubon Delaware Interfaith Power & Light Delaware Nature Society Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society Detroit Future City **Detroit Riverkeeper** Dispatch Goods, Inc District Refillery & Co. Dominican Sisters ~ Grand Rapids **Downeast Salmon Federation** Earth Island Institute "Stop Fish Bombing" EarthEcho International Earthjustice Eastern Woodland Protectors Eastside Community Network- NWS Cooperative Weather Station Eco Maniac Company **Ecological Workforce Initiative Elders Climate Action** Ellie Rider LLC **Endangered Species Coalition** Environmental Defense Fund **Environmental Education Fund** Environmental Law & Policy Center Eurasian Wildlife and Peoples Everblue Faith Communities Together for a Sustainable Future (FaCT) Ohio Financial Success, Inc. Fin Pin Shop Fish On

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Los Angeles Audubon Society

- Los Angeles Waterkeeper
- Louisiana Just Recovery Network
- Lower Westchester Chapter of Beyond Plastics
- Lowlander Center
- Marine Conservation Institute
- Marine Education, Research & Rehabilitation Institute, Inc.
- Marine Fish Conservation Network
- Marine Mammal Alliance Nantucket
- MARKEY MACHINERY
- Married in the Forest
- Matanzas Riverkeeper
- Menhaden Defenders
- Micah Six Eight Mission
- Michigan Botanical Society, Huron Valley Chapter
- Michigan Citizens for Water Conservation
- Michigan Environmental Council
- Michigan League of Conservation Voters
- Mid-Ohio Valley Climate Action
- Midwest Building Decarbonization Coalition
- Milwaukee Riverkeeper
- Milwaukee Water Commons
- Minorities in Shark Sciences
- Mississippi Farm to School Network
- MN Division of the Izaak Walton League of America
- Montclair Climate Action
- Mossville Environmental Action Now
- Narragansett Bay Riverkeeper
- Nassau Hiking & Outdoor Club
- National Aquarium
- National Center for Water Quality Research
- National Low Income Housing Coalition
- National Marine Sanctuary Foundation
- National Ocean Protection Coalition
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Nature for All
- New Hampshire Audubon
- New Jersey Conservation Foundation
- New Jersey Environmental Lobby

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The Ocean Project The Oregon Kelp Alliance The Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies The Rachel Carson Council The Urban Wildlands Group The Whalemobile Three Rivers Waterkeeper Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council Tri-Valley Air Quality Climate Alliance Tualatin Riverkeepers Turtle Island Restoration Network Twin Harbors Waterkeeper Union of Concerned Scientists Upper Allegheny Waterkeeper Urban Ocean Lab Vernal Pool Partners Virginia League of Conservation Voters Vital NRG WAGE International Washington Conservation Action Waterkeeper Alliance Waterkeepers Chesapeake Waterspirit Western Society of Naturalists Western Watersheds Project Wetlands Watch Whale and Dolphin Conservation Wild Cumberland Wild Heritage Wild Oyster Project WILDCOAST Wyoming Untrapped Wyoming Wildlife Advocates York River Steward Young, Gifted & Green