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Dear Martha's Vineyard Youth Leaders,

I am writing to commend the participants of the 11th Annual Youth Leadership for Sustainable Development.

During this weeklong intensive leadership training, youth delegates will work alongside experienced youth leaders who have transformed their lives. They further learn critical thinking and decision-making skills through working in teams to develop their 5-year actions plans and Sustainability-In-Action Projects. The delegates include Iris Albert, Miles Albert, Chris Aring, Aurora Austin, Cooper Bennett, Arden Bezahler, Patrick Best, Lauryn Bond, Taber Caron, Bella Chimes, Cana Courtney, Alison Daigle, Barbara dePaula, Belle DuPon, Rose Engler, Lucy Enos, Jacquelyn Hegarty, Skyler Cameron, Noah Kleinhenz, Elijah LaRue, Olivia Lingren, Dillion Andrews, Audrey McCarron, Jack Murray, Ben Nadelstein, Lila Norris, Ryan O'Malley, Sara Poggi, Lily Poggot, Carmilla Prata, Willa Vigneault, and Olivia Smith

These individuals will make presentations on "blue" sustainability all while taking a Sustainable Ocean Tour to the proposed Hope Spots as well as honoring Gandhi's grandson during the Gandhi Youth Forum.

The mission of the Martha's Vineyard Youth Leadership Initiative is to train young people to become leaders in their lives, their island, and the world. This summit is an invaluable resource that will prompt the youth of our region to focus on fixing the challenges we face towards sustainable development.

I again commend these bright young delegates on participating actively in their community through their involvement in the Youth Leadership Initiative Summit.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Wolf
State Senator
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