Mr. Richard Charter  
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c/o Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary  
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Dear Mr. Charter:

Thank you for your letter to Acting Secretary of Commerce Rebecca M. Blank, NOAA Administrator Jane Lubchenco, Ph.D., and me regarding your council’s support for reactivating the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries’ Site Evaluation List (SEL). I appreciate the effort and time your council dedicated to discussing this important issue and plan to transmit your thoughts to agency leadership.

As always, thank you for your continued commitment to the National Marine Sanctuary System and for providing your advice and recommendations on how best to manage and protect ocean resources.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Basta  
Director

Cc: Dominique Richard, Farallones Marine Sanctuary Association Beach Watch  
William J. Douros, Director, West Coast Region  
Maria Brown, Superintendent, Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary  
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