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To whom it may concern,

As much as I love to see the whales out on the ocean and they should be protected, I don't think a few taken by the Makah tribe will make that much difference. They do in fact have treaty rights to do so but have been very aware of public opinion and restrained from continuing their cultural hunts. And as long as its not for any commercial profits, I think they should be allowed to take their whales according to tribal customs. I also think it was very unfortunate that a few tribe members took things into their own hands recently. They should suffer the worse fate the tribe can give them and lose their rights to ever hunt again.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,
Jim Jenkins
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