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If the Makah feel they can justify killing defenseless whales because of a treaty from 1855, over 150 years ago, then let them live as they did over 150 years ago:

- No government funding
- No welfare/TANF
- No unemployment
- No Section 8 rental/housing assistance
- No free rent, electric, gas, water, phone and cable
- No free rides
- No food stamps
- No free medical/Dental

I can't justify, nor can they probably, killing 1 whale a year. If it is to prolong a tradition, so be it (please use the motorless canoe and hand thrown spears-no modern tools-traditional). These tribes need to come to terms with evolving with the civilized world. Do the Mayans still sacrifice humans? Can other tribes still kill roaming buffalo??

Let's put an end to this senseless killing.

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