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Dear Dear Makahs,

Treaty or no treaty-----Cultural heritage or no cultural heritage-----Is there not some creative way to celebrate the survival of the Makahs as a tribe without killing whales? Come on now-----The Makahs have made it to the 21st century, Why can't the Makahs help the whales and other endangered species make it thru the 21st also? Why not make December thru May a celebration of living, not killing?

Thank you for letting me put in my two cents.

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