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Dear Karen

## RE: APPLICATION TO DECLARE ALGOA BAY A WHALE HERITAGE SITE

WESSA is pleased to fully endorse this application. Along WESSA's 94 years of activism, we campaigned for an end to the whaling operations within South African waters, and supported the general campaign for an end to international whaling. As an organisation that is deeply involved in supporting the development of marine and coastal tourism and conservation, we recognise the ecological, societal and economic value of the annual whale migration to South African waters. Not forgetting the similar value of other resident and transitory cetacean species.

WESSA has for many years been involved in conservation efforts around Algoa Bay, and remain active supporters, through our WESSA Algoa Bay Branch, of the Algoa Bay Hope Spot. We support **The Baywatch Project's** efforts to declare the Bay a Whale Heritage Site. We are sure our Port Elizabeth members will support the activities around developing and celebratory its status as a Whale Heritage Site.

Yours in conserving our marine environment

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