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Jim,

I want to take a couple of moments to recognize Harbor Master Stan Eliason and his dept. for the work they do. Last summer I notified Stan of violations of the Endangered Species Act I was documenting on a regular basis within the City of Sitka's harbor system. I notified Stan of the situation and he immediately began exploring possible remedies to protect the City and the citizens of Sitka.

The steps Stan has taken and continues to take in a effort to reduce human and Stellar Sea Lion interactions may not always be the most popular, they are however taken with public safety in mind. Stan's proactive approach to solving these concerns has undoubtedly educated harbor users of potential marine mammal interactions and prevented violations. I would like to commend Stan and his department for their continued efforts on this issue.

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