

# ALABASTER TOWNSHIP

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Jeff Gray, Sanctuary Superintendent  
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary  
500 W. Fletcher Street  
Alpena, MI 49707

Dear Mr. Gray,

This letter is being sent from Alabaster Township, a member of the US 23 Heritage Route, to show support for the proposed boundary expansion for the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve to include waters off Alpena, Alcona and Presque Isle Counties.

The expansion of these boundaries will have significant positive impact on the understanding and research of our maritime heritage by enabling utilization of increased federal financial resources along with increasing educational programming for the public. This will be a gain for residents and visitors alike.

The Sanctuary is a tremendous resource for our region and our Heritage Route.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Wentworth, Supervisor  
Alabaster Township