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## Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Karyn and I welcome you to the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Martha's Vineyard Youth Leadership Summit for Sustainable Development.

The Martha's Vineyard Youth Leadership Initiative (MVYLI) actively trains youth hailing from Martha's Vineyard, Puerto Rico, Holyoke, the Philippines and Thailand to make their areas more sustainable. Through its many great resources like the College Prep & Field Trip Programs, Mentor & Job Shadow Day Program and Sustainability-In-Action Projects, the MVYLI yields invaluable experiences that will help positively shape the values and actions of our next generation.

We congratulate all of this year's MVYLI nominees and send warm greetings to Dr. Sylvia Earle and the Hokule'a Worldwide Voyage.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful summit.

Sincerely,

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