

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## NATIONAL MARINE LIFE CENTER ANNOUNCES NEW TRUSTEES

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**Buzzards Bay, MA.** At its recent Annual Meeting, the National Marine Life Center elected three new trustees to serve on its Board.

New trustee Kevin Farr is the Superintendent of the Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School. "Upper Cape Tech and the National Marine Life Center have collaborated on several projects in the past," said Mr. Farr. "I look forward to increasing my involvement as a trustee of this worthy organization!"

Dr. Michael Ryer is the senior staff veterinarian at the New England Animal Medical Center. "Dr. Ryer brings significant experience in both science and wildlife medicine," said Dr. Roger Williams, NMLC Science Director and Associate Veterinarian. "It will be a pleasure working with him to forward NMLC's rehabilitation and science programs."

Linda Sandhu is the Communications Director at the Cape Cod Community Media Center. "The National Marine Life Center team has such passion and drive," exclaimed Ms. Sandhu. "It is a pleasure to join with them in the effort to restore life to the ocean!"

Stepping down from Board service are Admiral Richard Gurnon, President of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, and Katie Touhey, Manager of Marine Mammal Rescue and Research for the International Fund for Animal Welfare. "Rick and Katie gave generously of their time and expertise," stated Sean Randall, NMLC Board Chair. "We are deeply grateful for their board service. Even as they step off the board, Rick and Katie continue to facilitate NMLC's important partnerships with MMA and IFAW."

The National Marine Life Center is an independent, non-profit marine animal hospital, science, and education center dedicated to rehabilitating for release stranded sea turtles, seals, dolphins, porpoises, and small whales, and to advancing scientific knowledge and education in marine wildlife health and conservation. The center just broke ground on a new marine animal hospital that will advance their ability to restore life to the ocean.

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