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To help keep fish on the menu,
support a strong Marine Bill.

Dear MP

I would like you to make representations on my behalf to the Minister of State responsible for the Marine Bill.

I welcome the draft Marine Bill, and the chance to protect our rich marine life; but the Bill needs to be improved if it is to deliver adequate protection.

The Bill must place a duty on the Secretary of State to set up an ecologically coherent network of Highly Protected Marine Reserves by 2015, which covers at least 30% of UK seas out to 200 nautical miles. These Reserves must prohibit all human activities, including fishing, so as to protect the marine ecosystem as a whole. This in turn will enable fish stocks to recover and so ensure a future for fisheries.

Please forward my concerns to The Secretary of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Yours sincerely, *complete in block capitals*

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