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To whom it May Concern,

As a person who has made a career as a marine photographer, I was outraged to hear of a number of recent purposeful killings of the endangered Hawaiian Monk Seal. The killing of an intelligent species such as the Monk Seal is beyond reprehensible, the fact that this species is on the brink of extinction makes this crime far worse. Such a crime must be a felony, and those who would perpetrate such a crime need to know that if they are caught they will face severe penalties.

After all this is one thing that we can do to prevent the extinction of this species, that is such an important part of our Hawaiian heritage. Therefor I urge you to make the willful killing of the endangered Hawaiian Monk Seal, as well as other species on the endangered list, a fellony.

Mahalo,

Wayne Levin