

His Majesty The King

9 September 2022

Sir.

With my humble duty, as Chair of the Marine Society and Sea Cadets, it is with the greatest sadness and regret that I convey my sincerest condolences on the grievous loss of Her Majesty The Queen.

We have been indebted to Her Majesty's gracious patronage of our charity throughout her reign. During this Platinum Jubilee year we have, like so many around the world, recognised Her Majesty's outstanding service to our country.

Throughout her reign, we were humbled by Her Majesty's deep interest in our progress towards the development of young people and seafarers. Her regular messages of encouragement were hugely appreciated by our thousands of volunteers, while many of our cadets were recently touched to receive letters of gratitude in response to their Jubilee well-wishes.

Sea cadets, volunteers and staff around the UK will remember Her Majesty with the greatest affection, and Ensigns across our fleet and units will be flown at half-mast during the period of national mourning.

On behalf of all involved with the Marine Society and Sea Cadets, I wish to extend our deepest sympathies and offer our unstinting support and devotion to you and your family at this tragic time.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your Majesty's most humble and obedient servant.

Jeremy Penn

Chair of Marine Society & Sea Cadets