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I am writing in support of the Bill to ban Whaling and to protect Whales in Iceland.

My wife and I had a marvellous 2 week holiday in Iceland in June this year. We travelled around Iceland covering over 2000 Kilometres, driving ourselves, and were amazed at your spectacular country.

There were many highlights, but we most enjoyed our 2 day stay in Husavik. We had a wonderful Whale-Watching trip, seeing several Humpback Whales on a beautiful day. We were pleasantly surprised at the popularity of the Whale Watching trips, and how busy all the Whale Watching companies were in Husavik.

I realise that Tourism is very important to Iceland, and so to allow Whaling to continue would be a bad Public Relations mistake in the view of the rest of the world.

There are so many other reasons of course why Whaling should be banned.

Iceland could be a leader when it comes to protecting marine regions and species, and this Bill would allow that to happen.

I hope that you will support the Bill to Ban Whaling.

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