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Mr. George Leone
President
Homecoming 250 Navy Marine Corps
62 Battleship Place
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Dear Mr. Leone:

On behalf of our nearly 300 members throughout the Delaware River port region, the Maritime Exchange for the Delaware River and Bay strongly supports the Homecoming 250 Navy Marine Corps organization and its plans to celebrate the semiquincentennial anniversaries of the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Marine Corps.

As you are aware, the Maritime Exchange is nonprofit association dedicated to promoting a vibrant, efficient, safe, secure, and environmentally healthy port system. While the Exchange and its members are primarily concerned with the Delaware River as a gateway for international and domestic waterborne commerce, we share a rich maritime heritage with and many of the same traditions as the federal maritime military services.

There is no more fitting location than Philadelphia—the birthplace of both the Navy and the Marines—and the Delaware River to celebrate their 250 years of service and to honor the men and women who gave of themselves, so many making the ultimate sacrifice, to this nation. It is an honor and a privilege to join with you as you coordinate the semiquincentennial events.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate. We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

Lisa B. Himber
President