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Greta Thunberg
Via email

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Dear Greta and the crew of the Malizia

We wanted to write to congratulate you on your successful trans-Atlantic crossing; your journey was truly inspirational. It was a momentous day when you embarked upon your crossing from Plymouth. We have a strong and proud heritage as the City where world-changing voyages commence and your journey and the message you are conveying is key to our planet's future, nothing could be more important.

The challenge of combating climate change requires radical and immediate action from every part of society across the globe. Your strong and clear message to world leaders that immediate and effective action is essential and that you and your generation will hold them to account is fully supported in Plymouth. We understand how crucial it is to act now and we are fully embracing this challenge.

You have become an inspiration in demanding action on climate change. During your time in Plymouth you inspired our young people but also provided hope that collectively we can demand change and find a solution. We must all unite in tackling climate change and your presence in Plymouth reinforced our commitment to playing our part.

It was an honour to host you in our city and be a part of the essential message you are conveying to the world. We will be watching your endeavours on the global stage whilst driving change in our City. We hope that you can persuade others to do the same. This is not a challenge any of us can allow to fail.

Yours sincerely

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