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To whom it may concerns
Subj: Letter of Support

Dear colleagues,

I would like to support the initiative of the international museum commemorating the Polar expeditions on airships at the beginning of the 20th century. Our organization has been working for many years in the Frantz-Josef Land and Novaya Zemlya - these are the areas where the rescue expeditions have been searching the traces of the Nobile Expedition. We have the photos of the land and seascapes and places connected with these events. Our expedition has been actively and directly participating to ensure the Krassin icebreaker rescue during the Soviet period. Now this ship is converted into a museum in the St-Petersburg. We could add to the future exposition our documentary evidences and copies of the materials found in the polar regions. We are very glad that there is a prospect to create the first memorial complex of such kind, and its simple construction is an asset in the cultural and educational tourism. We strongly support all actions in the field of protection of cultural and natural heritage of the Arctic and hope that the neutrality principle of the exposition will serve to create another interesting and exciting museum. Presently we are working for establishing the protected area in the Russian Arctic, covering the northernmost sites of the European Russia. In our activities we are guided by the same principle of neutrality and objectivity that is important for the true scientific work. We hope that our mutual efforts add to the cooperation in the Arctic region!

Sincerely,

Professor Petr V.Boyarsky,
Leader of the Integrated Marine Arctic Expedition,
Moscow