

March 11, 2024

Mr. Don Hartsell
Commissioner, World Air League



RE: Audacious Project – World Sky Race

Dear Don,

Enabled by the Audacious Project, Mission Blue is ready to participate and be in the collaborative network of foundations with the World Air League to implement the World Sky Race.

We appreciate the vision of the World Sky Race and understand that our role will evolve. What in life is static? This means we start and go forward. With the World Air League, we will learn as we explore this exciting pathway. Our shared destination is our commitment to making possible sustainable living on our planet.

With its partners, the educational mission of the World Sky Race is compelling and thoughtful. We know that global change starts in the classrooms today. We welcome that Mission Blue will be introduced as part of the fun and lively discussions in classrooms around the world. This, coupled with the environmental mission of the World Sky Race, makes us excited to do what we can to help develop this creative project, making it into a transformative program. The power of using fun to make a connective educational experience for the next generation will be exponential in its effect. Given that we presently live in a social media world, it is truly possible to do this. Our advice is that good partnerships will make this possible.

I and Mission Blue look forward to helping chart the World Sky Race path.

We do not seek this as a future legacy, but as a reality NOW! Time is of the essence. Godspeed in your work.

Embrace the Race

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Sylvia Earle, Ph.D.
President