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To Whom it May Concern,

The Marine Teachers Association of NSW (MTANSW) would like to write in support of the amazing work that AFTA has done in supporting Marine Studies students across the state as part of the "Lets Go Fishing" program. With the latest roll out of kits to schools across the state in early 2024, so many students have benefited from this program. For many of our students, these kits have allowed them to experience fishing for the first time with equipment that would be otherwise unavailable to them. So many of our teachers work on a very limited budget, and such equipment would be out of reach for many. The provision of the fishing kits to our member schools has allowed so many students to experience fishing and learn valuable skills that they otherwise would never have had the chance to learn.

You can see the impact of this program from the feedback provided by our teachers:

- Wow!!! Our fishing kit arrived yesterday. AFTA have thought of everything and AFTA have provided only top of the range quality brands for everything. You can't get much better than Shakespeare, Penn and Plano. Thanks again for coordinating this program. Warren Bridge - Newman Senior College
- Thank you for your support. It has made fishing at EHS a possibility. Charlie Richardson - Erina High School
- Really great initiative - has given some kids their first real fishing experience. Jemma Stapleton - Hasting Secondary College
- Appreciate all the gear you have supplied. The smile on students' faces when catching their first fish is priceless!! Alex Blyth - Kariong Mountains High School
- Thank you AFTA & MTANSW for such wonderful equipment and opportunity. The students have really appreciated the gear and it has been a wonderful learning opportunity for the students. The equipment is such a high quality that it is being treated well and hopefully will serve many students in the future. Nigel Bolack - Kiama High School.

This program has been so beneficial for our members and our students as it has allowed so many of our students to be introduced to the benefits of fishing in their local environments. We are really appreciative and looking forward to this excellent program continuing.

Regards

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