

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WASHINGTON DC 20350-1000

November 2, 2023

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warren:

Thank you for your recent letter requesting the commissioning of the Navy's newest Virginia-Class submarine, USS MASSACHUSETTS (SSN-798), to be held in Boston.

Considering the namesake of the ship and the unique roles that Massachusetts has in naval history, with seven previous ships bearing the Massachusetts name, this request is especially fitting.

I have carefully considered your request, and I am pleased to announce that we will move forward with Boston as the commissioning site.

If you need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. A similar response has been sent to the other signatories of the letter.

Sincerely,

Carlos Del Toro

Despite the fact I am a devoted by Yankee Fan Senator!