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Dear Mr. Murray,  
I can only imagine how tired of all the hoopla you must be by now. I truly sympathize with you, regardless of your decision, because the interest groups have been at it, and seem as far away from a consensus as the day they started.  
Let me start by saying that I feel I have nothing to loose personally. If the beaches are open in front of my house which is oceanfront in Hatteras, people will still probably rent it. My inner core, however, is very disturbed by the idea that the little children that play in front of the house and the sea turtle nests that abound in that area will be unprotected.  
Why has this issue become so black and white? Why is it that no one is able to bring the parties to a reasonable compromise that would allow driving in areas where it is expected and limit it elsewhere.  
I suspect if there were more parking spots along highway 12 with a walkover, this would resonate less with the locals. The conservationists want everyone off, and there is no way to appease that, unless a wildlife sanctuary is created on part of the island.  
Again, my sympathies. I encourage you to stand up and keep the myriad of interests in perspective and not be swayed by the outrageous bullying of the extremists.  
Sincerely,  
Liza Pond