

August 7, 2025

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
506 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC, 20510

Dear Senator Shaheen:

On behalf of the managers and supervisors currently serving our nation in the federal government and whose interests are represented by the Federal Managers Association (FMA), we extend our endorsement and support for your bill, the Protecting Naval Shipyards Act (S. 2648).

FMA strongly supports this effort to protect the workforce that performs critical work on America's naval fleet at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, as well as the public shipyards at Norfolk, Puget Sound and Pearl Harbor. This important legislation underscores the vital role of our nation's public shipyards and the dedicated federal employees who maintain and modernize the U.S. Navy's fleet. These employees are vital to our national security and ensuring naval operations around the globe can continue without disruption.

For more than a century, our naval shipyards – including Portsmouth, Norfolk, Pearl Harbor, and Puget Sound – have been pillars of national defense readiness. The federal employees who manage and operate these facilities represent the highest standards of public service and technical excellence. Your legislation recognizes the strategic importance of these shipyards and provides the long-term support necessary to ensure they remain operationally effective, safe, and resilient in the face of 21st-century challenges.

FMA commends you for your leadership and continued commitment to our federal workforce. By investing in infrastructure improvements, workforce development, and future planning, this legislation not only strengthens our national security, but also empowers federal managers to deliver on their missions with the tools and resources they need.

We look forward to working with you, your staff, and legislators on both sides of the aisle to advance swift bipartisan passage of the Protecting Public Naval Shipyards Act. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact FMA's Government Affairs Director Greg Stanford at gstanford@fedmanagers.org or (703) 683-8700.

Sincerely,



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