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Dear Friends,

Each of us within the Global U8 Consortium is saddened by the passing of Marc Hershman. Marc was among our founders, a man with a global vision, and his generous spirit brought together people with different nationalities and diverse interests to solve common problems.

Marc's courage and wisdom never ended at the water's edge, but he knew better than anyone how important that edge was, how the management of the world's coastal waters and shores was critical to the future of the world's people. Marc's spirit informed the GU8 itself and made it one of his finest creations.

With affection, respect and sympathy for Marc's many friends and family,

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