

ALCATRAZ PROPOSAL:

Bird Nature for Children

By Allen Truong, age 9



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Allen Truong, age 9, Bessie Carmichael Elementary

Did you know that the black-crowned night heron is similar to the pigeon guillemot? They are fascinating birds found on Alcatraz. We need to make sure they stay safe and have homes. That is why I believe Alcatraz would make a fancy bird sanctuary for visitors all over the city.

My first reason to build a sanctuary is to keep them away from the US military. So the sanctuary will keep them safe from US tanks if there ever was an invasion. This is especially important because what if the tanks run over the eggs? If birds lay eggs out in the open, there is a chance the military tanks can crush the eggs. We need to protect the eggs so the birds on Alcatraz don't go extinct.

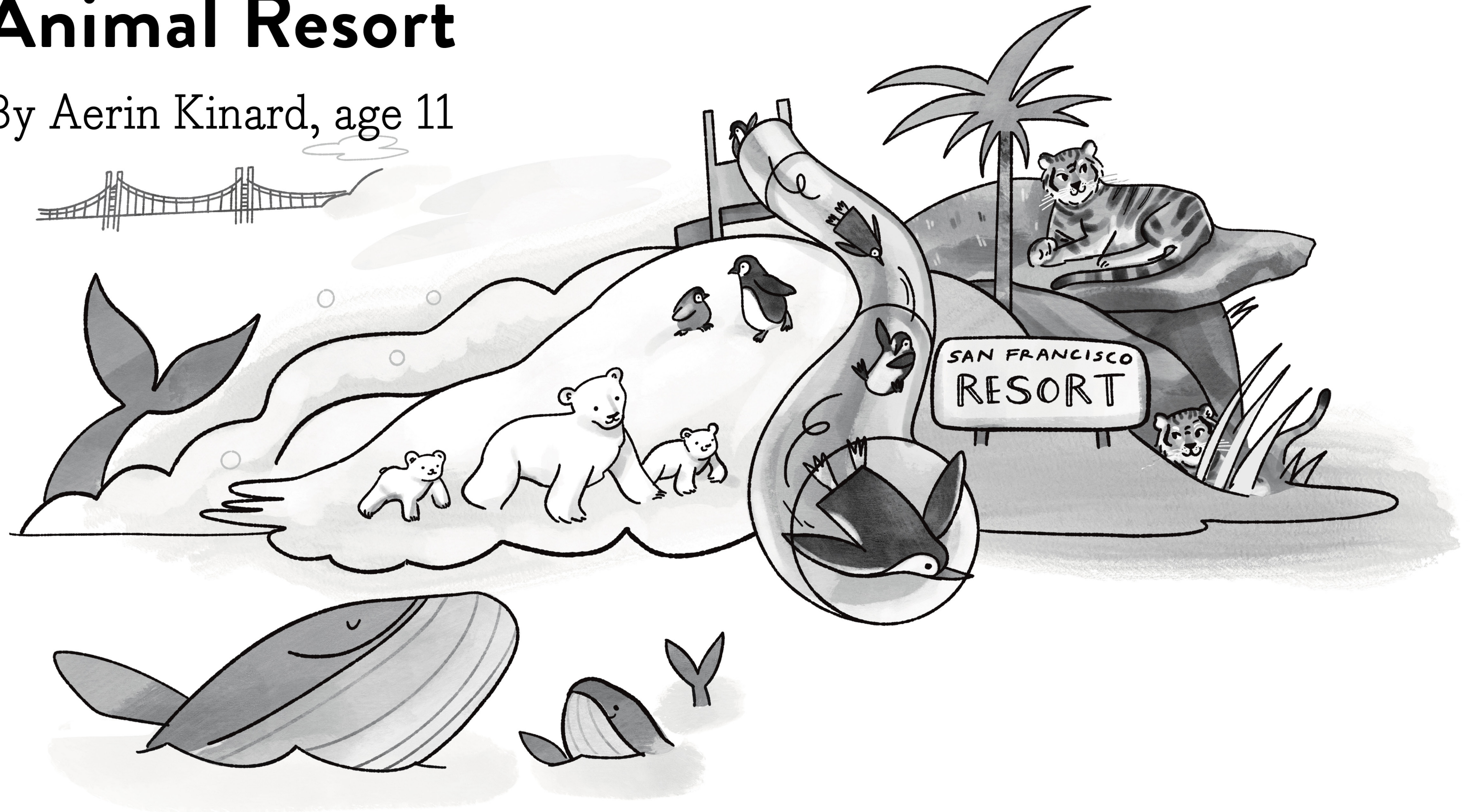
My second reason to build a sanctuary is so the birds can have their babies peacefully and safely. When the eggs hatch, the birds can see their first home. They would be surrounded with purified water and the sound of a waterfall with plenty of fish. The babies would also hear waves crashing as if they were on the beach. If you were born as a baby bird what would you want to see or hear?

Some people might say that it's a bad idea and a waste of space. I think a waste of space is big buildings, the construction makes smoke and pollutes the air. We already have enough buildings, we need more open green grassland for animals to be free and people to breathe fresh air. It would also not be a waste of space because I would add stores everywhere. The stores would make a lot of money to pay the workers at the bird sanctuary, bird food, and water filters for clean water for the birds at all times. So, the government won't need to give us money for the sanctuary.

In conclusion, we should build a bird sanctuary on Alcatraz because we need to keep them safe from vehicles that can crush them, the birds deserve to have their babies in peace, and we won't need money from the government. Tell the mayor or the person in charge.

ALCATRAZ PROPOSAL: **Animal Resort**

By Aerin Kinard, age 11



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Have you ever thought: “what will happen to Alcatraz?” or “Will Alcatraz ever be put to use?” Well today, I'll tell you what I want to turn Alcatraz into. Me personally, I'd want to turn it into a resort where endangered animals go to repopulate.

Animals are an important part of the ecosystem and creating a resort would be a big help for repopulation. Breeds such as tigers, blue whales, penguins and polar bears and many more are vulnerable and are in danger of being extinct. I believe this addition to Alcatraz could help these animals increase their population.

I'd also like to say that an animal resort might bring joy to children and adults alike! Families might be encouraged to visit, and invest in the development of the island.

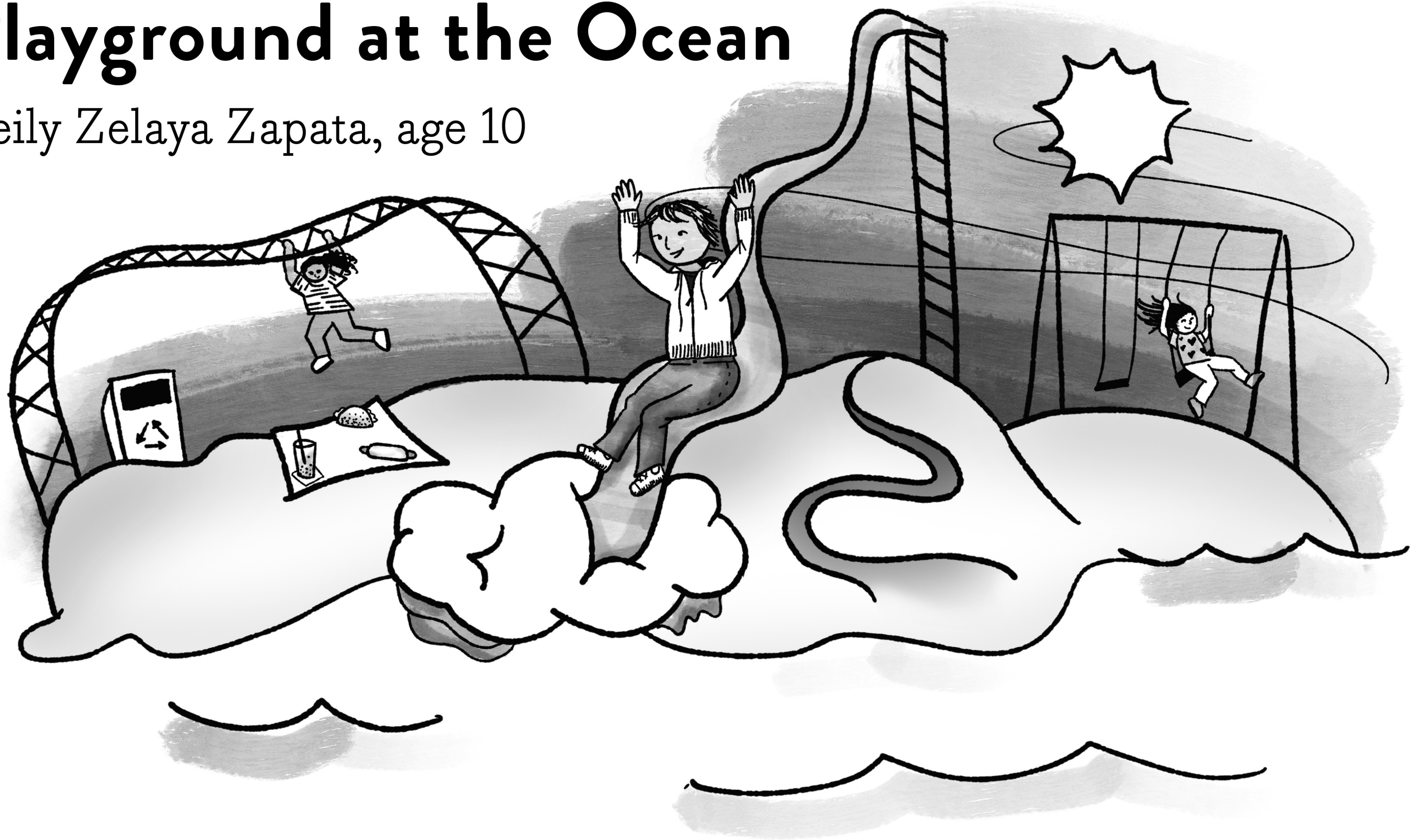
Haters might say stuff like, “This is silly,” or “That would not work” but I think that turning Alcatraz into an animal resort could be a real help to the ecosystem, since these animals control the population of others. For example, Tigers hunt deers. Sure, many animals hunt deers, but Tigers also help control populations of other animals.

To sum it up Alcatraz would be a good animal resort for many different reasons like helping the ecosystem and bringing joy to families and loyal citizens. So the real question is: What do **you** think about turning Alcatraz into an animal resort?

ALCATRAZ PROPOSAL:

Playground at the Ocean

Heily Zelaya Zapata, age 10



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Heily Zelaya-Zapata, age 10, Tenderloin Community School

Have you ever been in a playground in the middle of the ocean on an Island? If you have, what was it like? I think a playground in the middle of the ocean would be perfect. It would be so beautiful especially with a sunset. I believe we should turn Alcatraz into a playground for everyone to enjoy.

My first reason for building a playground is it gives people more space to relax outside. For example, you could have a picnic with your friends, your family, and your pets. You can even have a romantic date there. If you bring your kids they will have something to do too. It would be so fun and time will pass by quickly when you're having a good time! This playground is unique because it will have a mix of a play structure and calm walking paths and you hear the sounds of water and trees moving.

I already know what the haters are going to say, "the water is going to get dirty, the kids and adults will be throwing trash in the water and it will get polluted." My response to that would be I will hire janitors to clean every day and night. It will help the playground stay clean and nice so people will want to keep coming back. To help the janitors, I will also put bins all over the island. Don't worry I will switch people for day and night so people who work day time will sleep at night and the people who work at night can sleep during the daytime. And of course they will get paid.

Without a doubt, people will love to come to this new gorgeous island playground. Moreover, people will be happier! We will make sure the water stays clean and there's no trash. Also, if you choose my idea I will truly be happy and grateful. Please think about building this

playground and if you think I should do anything better I will make the changes. Thank you for taking time out of your day to listen to my proposal.

ALCATRAZ PROPOSAL: **Water Park Please!**

By Dylan, age 10



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Dylan Can Bojorquez, age 10

Imagine a water park that leads straight to the ocean! I think Alcatraz should be a water park.

My first reason why I think Alcatraz should be a water park is because there's no water parks in SF. because they're like 2 hours away. My other reason is when it's a hot day, you're probably going to need to cool off so we need a waterpark.

Someone might say, "But what if you're hurting the ocean!" I say, "You built like the ocean, like stop hating. You thought I didn't think of that?! Of course I know. Why would I hurt the ocean and animals? I'm not mean like that." So I will put trash cans around the park. And I will clean the park daily and there will never be trash in the water.

As you can see my reason for Alcatraz to be a water park is because this would be a good idea because kids should have fun too. Also if you want to cool down you can go to the water park. Because if you agree you would be a VIP. You can also go to the water slides and cool down and have fun all together. You can go to the rides, pools, and slides. If you're in my water park all I care about is you having fun.