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Tampa native Dave Bautista offers \$20,000 reward for 'MAGATs' who defaced Florida manatee

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Dave Bautista, a former WWE wrestler and Guardian of the Galaxy member, has offered a \$20,000 reward for information that leads to an arrest of whoever wrote "TRUMP" on the back of a Florida manatee.

The Tampa native took to **Twitter** this week to declare the reward, and promised bonuses for helping catch the "MAGATs."

"If there's not already a reward for the arrest and conviction of the low life scummy MAGATs that did this I'll throw in \$20,000," tweeted Bautista, who is a registered Democrat. "And I promise there will be bonuses to that reward!"

When a commenter suggested that the person or persons should also be punched in the face, Bautista **replied**, "All I'm saying is that there are a lot of Floridians that don't appreciate people fucking with our manatees."

On Monday, the **Citrus County Chronicle** reported that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission are currently seeking information regarding a the MAGA'd manatee that was discovered near the Blue Hole on the Homosassa River.

Shortly after, the **Center for Biological Diversity** announced a \$5,000 reward for information leading to a conviction of the person responsible.

"Manatees aren't billboards, and people shouldn't be messing with these sensitive and imperiled animals for any reason," said Florida director **Jaclyn Lopez**, in a statement. "However this

political graffiti was put on this manatee, it's a crime to interfere with these creatures, which are protected under multiple federal laws.”

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