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Resolution 2003-02-04

In Appreciation of the Dedicated Service of Paul A. Lenzini as Legal Counsel to the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

WHEREAS, The International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies has benefited for thirty-seven years from the expert legal advice of Paul A. Lenzini; and

WHEREAS, during those thirty-seven years, Mr. Lenzini has provided the Association with solid advice ranging from its organizational structure to financial counsel; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as Legal Counsel to the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Mr. Lenzini has been involved in virtually every significant decision affecting the organization's direction, including arranging for its first permanent office and staff; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lenzini has not only defended the principles of the Association, he has defined them and instilled them within its membership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lenzini has not only served as an able Legal Counsel, but as a friend to individuals passing the threshold of this Association, giving unselfishly of his time and energies to further the standards of fish and wildlife management and the goals of this Association; and

WHEREAS, his skill and keen legal sense have kept intact the Association's major tenet, the preservation of the authority of the state fish and wildlife agencies of this nation; and

WHEREAS, his defense of sound fish and wildlife management has caused him on occasion to argue successfully before the U.S. Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, during times of critical negotiations involving management, funding and the distinction of authorities, he has provided the advice and counsel, which nurtured the growth and respect of the International in the conservation community, Congress and the judicial system; and

WHEREAS, his service spans more years than any single individual associated with this Association and he stands as a pillar of wisdom, support and friendship; and

WHEREAS, the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, having honored Mr. Lenzini with a Life Membership and the Seth Gordon Award, its highest honor, does hereby regretfully receive the announcement of his retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies extend to Paul and Celeste Lenzini its best wishes for a full and enjoyable retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies gives its wholehearted thanks to Paul A. Lenzini for unselfishly serving the natural resources of this Nation and the organization that represents the authorities principally responsible for the trust and stewardship of our fish and wildlife legacy.