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**Resolution 1994-04-07**

**EXTENSION OF THE CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the original contracts of the Conservation Reserve Program are slated to expire in 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation Reserve Program is providing broad benefits to many wildlife species across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation Reserve Program is providing many other soil, water, and recreation benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation Reserve Program has provided much needed stability to the largely farm based economy of the Great Plains.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports the extension of current Conservation Reserve Program contracts and the expansion of the Program..

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports the concept of perpetual easements provided they are offered as one of several options including those which are currently available to landowners.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports the expansion of the Conservation Reserve Program into riparian corridors to further protect water and waterways provided that this practice does not diminish "block-type" contracts that are so important to grassland wildlife species and in providing soil protection from wind erosion.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports the full implementation of State Technical Committees in order to provide better local oversight and input into the practices and procedures of the Conservation Reserve Program and other important elements of the Food Security Act Farm Program.