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Resolution 1994-06-07

**SHARING OF ANADROMOUS, ESTUARINE,
AND MARINE FISHERIES DATA PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, management of fisheries has become increasingly complex, requiring a variety of sophisticated management measures to address the long-term viability of resources, including social and economic considerations; and

WHEREAS, state and federal fisheries management agencies share authority and jurisdiction over many common stocks of fish and shellfish, and consequently, share in the need for data programs that will provide data sufficient to support management decisions; and

WHEREAS, this shared management responsibility and need for fisheries data require that programs to collect and manage fisheries data be standardized, cooperative, coordinated, state-federal programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports the need for state-federal data collection and access programs and adequate funding to support them.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all agencies are encouraged to work cooperatively to develop shared data programs involving information collection, compilation, and reporting.