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Whereas the history of such movements in the past has demonstrated that while originally intended for the benefit of veterans, the ultimate effect has been to promote speculation and enable speculators and others to profit by the misfortune of those who attempted to settle such lands; and

Whereas such settlement schemes have usually resulted in the abuse of land and the unwarranted dissipation of natural resources;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Winnipeg, Manitoba, this 13th day of September, 1949, that we oppose legislation for the aforesaid purposes.

14. **Botulism Control in Lower Klamath Lake Waterfowl Refuge**

Resolved by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 13th day of September, 1949, that we request Congress to authorize an appropriation of not less than \$600,000 for the purpose of botulism control on the Lower Klamath Lake Wildlife Refuge in Northern California and to do necessary work to prevent future outbreaks of botulism in this area and other areas in United States.

15. **Fencing on Public Grazing Lands**

Resolved by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 13th day of September, 1949, that we urge the U. S. Bureau of Land Management to include in its regulations governing the leasing and use of public grazing lands, provisions prohibiting the construction of fences on such lands which will interfere with the migrations or movements of big game animals.

16. **Conservation of Basic Resources**

Whereas this association has heretofore been concerned chiefly with the conservation and management of wildlife and related natural resources; and

Whereas the future success of the entire wildlife conservation program depends in increasing measure on conservation of the soil, waters, and forests which comprise the habitat for wildlife; and

Whereas the survival of the free way of life prevailing in Canada, and the United States and other democratic nations of the world depends on the utmost efforts in providing for the good care and wise use of all basic natural resources, including soil, waters, forests, and minerals, as well as wildlife:

Therefore be it resolved by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 13th day of September, 1949, that we instruct the officers and executive committee of the association, in planning programs for future conventions and activities of the association, to give greater consideration to conservation of the basic resources, commensurate with their importance, as well as wildlife resources.

17. **Representation at Convention of the Association**

Whereas this association is the chief organization representing the administrative agencies of the States of the United States and the provinces of Canada concerned with conservation of wildlife and other natural resources, and has played a leading part in the progress of conservation on this continent for nearly 40 years; and

Whereas maintenance of a strong international association is essential to secure united action among the states and provinces in promoting an effective conservation program and in maintaining their mutual rights and interests therein;

Therefore be it resolved by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 13th day of September, 1949, that we instruct the officers and executive committee of the association to adopt and carry out all measures which they deem most effective in impressing upon the executive and conservation authorities and other interested agencies of the several states and provinces, especially those that have not been active in the affairs of the association, the importance of sending official representatives to the conventions of this association and actively supporting its program.

18. **Co-operation with Mexico**

Whereas there are strong bonds of mutual interest between the Republic of Mexico and her sister countries to the north in the conservation of migratory birds and other natural resources; and