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LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE SUPPORT FOR WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT

WHEREAS, the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies recognizes the Wildlife Violator Compact as a significant tool to be utilized by fish and wildlife agencies to discourage the unlawful taking of our States' fish and wildlife resources; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Violator Compact is instrumental in assisting in the protection of every State's fish and wildlife resources, by discouraging interstate violator movement; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Violator Compact enhances the efficiency of wildlife enforcement officers by allowing for the issuance of citations to non-residents, rather than arrest; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Violator Compact has been joined by the states of Arizona, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the greatest success of this fish and wildlife protection tool is predicated on full participation in all aspects of the Wildlife Violator Compact by all fifty states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies supports and encourages membership and participation in the Wildlife Violator Compact by all fifty states.