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**Resolution 2011-03-07**

**SUPPORT FOR WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT**

**WHEREAS**, the National Association of Conservation Law enforcement Chiefs 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 Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin 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 *Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies* supports and encourages membership and participation in the Wildlife Violator Compact by all fifty states.

*Submitted by the Law Enforcement Committee*