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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the appropriate Congressional Committee Chairman, to the Secretary of Agriculture, and to the Chief of the Forest Service.

RESOLUTION NO. 11

FEDERAL STAMP FOR HUNTING AND FISHING ON FEDERAL LANDS

WHEREAS, federal legislation has been introduced to expand wildlife, fish and game rehabilitation programs on federal lands; and

WHEREAS, the same legislation establishes a \$2 federal public land hunting and fishing stamp for individuals 16 years of age and over; and

WHEREAS, fish and wildlife planning, development and coordination programs are now being carried out on federal lands between the states and federal government under present authority; and

WHEREAS, different licensing requirements for using federal lands, which are often irregular, scattered and in checkerboard patterns, would cause public confusion, enforcement problems and a subsequent change in use patterns possibly to the detriment of state wildlife management objectives; and

WHEREAS, a federal hunting or fishing license fee would finance a federal wildlife management program which would duplicate state efforts and reduce the state's opportunity to obtain additional funding:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners requests Congress not to enact legislation that would establish a separate federal fee to hunt, trap or fish on federal lands but to require federal agencies to continue cooperative agreements with the states and to seek additional funds for wildlife programs from sources other than fees charged to hunters and fishermen.

RESOLUTION NO. 12

FEDERAL FUNDING OF WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Public Law 660, the Clean Water Restoration Act of 1966 authorizes substantial sums for federal grant-in-aid to municipalities for construction of wastes treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, Congress has each year appropriated substantially lesser amounts and in some years as low as one-fifth of the authorized amount as grant-in-aid; and

WHEREAS, the nation's water pollution control program needs to be accelerated to reduce the growing rate of pollution by municipal and industrial wastes; and

WHEREAS, there is a great need for upgrading many municipal treatment facilities at a cost far above that which the municipalities can afford; and

WHEREAS, abatement of pollution is an intergovernmental responsibility:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners respectfully urges Congress to increase the appropriations for grant-in-aid for construction of municipal waste treatment facilities to the full amount authorized by law to enable the states to accelerate the pollution abatement program.

RESOLUTION NO. 13

AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY CENTENNIAL

WHEREAS, in 1970 the American Fisheries Society will complete 100 years of service to the people of the North American continent as well as other parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, this organization has been a leader in encouraging scientific research, practical management and public understanding of problems related to fish propagation, harvesting and conservation for future generations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners recognizes this century of significant accomplishment by the American Fisheries Society and wishes for them not only a meaningful and happy centennial celebration, but also continued success in the years ahead.

RESOLUTION NO. 14

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME CENTENNIAL

WHEREAS, on April 2, 1870 the first Fish Commission was established in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, this Fish Commission was the forerunner of the present California Department of Fish and Game that has grown into one of the largest governmental wildlife organizations in the world; and

WHEREAS, the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy marks the one hundredth year of organized fish and wildlife management in California; and

WHEREAS, it has successfully managed California's vast wildlife natural resources in the face of unprecedented problems caused by population increases and land and water development; and

WHEREAS, it has unselfishly shared the knowledges gained from its experiences with the rest of the nation and the world:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners commends the California Department of Fish and Game for its outstanding contribution to the field of wildlife management these past one hundred years and congratulates the Department on its centennial celebration.