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on sound ethical, esthetic and ecological principles:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners honors his name and deeds with this memorial resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 17

SUPPORT CONTINUATION OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE PASSPORT

Whereas, the acceptance of the Golden Eagle Passport is a manifestation of the desire and willingness of outdoor recreationists to pay a major portion of the cost of outdoor recreation facilities; and

Whereas, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, financed in part by revenues from the Golden Eagle Passport, is an important stimulant to outdoor recreation development; and

Whereas, the Golden Eagle Passport embodies the basic principle of fairness in that a portion of the cost of developing outdoor recreation facilities is borne by those who use them; and

Whereas, the Golden Eagle Passport has become an identifying symbol to the public reminding the individual that the money he has spent is being used to develop outdoor recreation facilities; and

Whereas, the Golden Eagle Passport has served to make more Americans aware of their heritage in outdoor recreation:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners urges the Congress of the United States and each individual Senator and Congressman to retain, protect and support the Golden Eagle Passport program.

RESOLUTION NO. 18

LIBRARY REFERENCE SERVICE

Whereas, the Library Reference Service was established at the urging of the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners; and

Whereas, the U. S. Department of the Interior Library and the Denver Conservation Library Center are providing valuable reference service; and

Whereas, there is a continuing need for these libraries to collect, index, store, and make available for further use all research and development information resulting from Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson projects; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife contemplates an expanded Library Reference Service program to include all fish and wildlife literature:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners expresses appreciation for past support by the Department of the Interior and requests continued financial and other support of the Library Reference Program so that the Denver Conservation Library Center can continue and expand its valuable service.

RESOLUTION NO. 19

COMMENDATION TO THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Whereas, the National Rifle Association has, over the years, supported and defended the right of the people of America to lawfully own and use firearms; and

Whereas, it has provided effective and dynamic leadership in opposing legislation designed to restrict lawful ownership and use of sporting firearms by law-abiding citizens:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners commends the National Rifle Association for its continuing forceful and effective leadership in defending the rights of American sportsmen, and for its unswerving efforts in promoting enlightened firearms legislation.

RESOLUTION NO. 20

PUBLIC LAND LAW REVIEW COMMISSION STUDIES - ALASKA

Whereas, the fish and wildlife resource of Alaska is one of the leading revenue producing resources of the State; and

Whereas, the Public Land Law Review Commission has with the Federal Field Committee for Development Planning in Alaska jointly sponsored a study of Federal Public Land Laws and Policies in Alaska; and

Whereas, the study is designed to embrace the entire subject of the relationship of the public lands to the future economy of Alaska; and

Whereas, Alaska is the breeding area of a significant number of waterfowl which contribute to populations of several Flyways, and particularly the Pacific Flyway, and therefore is of concern to this Association; and

Whereas, a comprehensive study of land laws and policies in Alaska and their implications on fish and wildlife is imperative to recommendations for proper management of this important State resource:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners express to the Public Land Law Review Commission and to the Federal Field Committee for Development Planning in Alaska the Association's concern that the fish and wildlife aspects of the Alaska study be comprehensively considered.

RESOLUTION NO. 21

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

Whereas, the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners was one of the principal supporters of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act when the Act was passed in 1964; and

Whereas, this Association continues to stress the application of these funds to meaningful wildlife and outdoor recreation programs; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has announced new rulings which will have a crippling effect upon the states' administration of these funds; and