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**RESOLUTION NO. 2  
NONGAME WILDLIFE**

WHEREAS, there is a growing public interest in all species of wildlife, and

WHEREAS, a recent survey by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners showed that some states have not implemented adequate programs for the protection and management of nongame wildlife, and

WHEREAS, a model state law for nongame and endangered species programs has been developed to assist the states in developing needed legislation, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners endorses the model state law for nongame and endangered species and urges all states not having active management programs for all wildlife species to adopt this or similar legislation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Universities teaching wildlife ecology broaden their curriculum to include instruction and research on nongame species.

This resolution was adopted on September 15, 1972, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3  
PROPOSED CRITERIA FOR THE MANAGEMENT  
OF MOURNING DOVES THROUGH REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife has recently proposed standardized criteria for the future management of mourning doves through regulations, and

WHEREAS, these criteria are based on relatively weak statistical tests relating the Breeding Density Index to daily bag limits, and

WHEREAS, it is the considered opinion of the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners that adoption of these criteria without consideration of additional data would be premature and inappropriate,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners request that the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife postpone adoption of those so-called standardized criteria for establishing bag limits until such time the preponderance of all information available indicates that bag limits do, in fact, determine mourning dove population trends.

This resolution was adopted on September 15, 1972, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

**RESOLUTION NO. 4  
STATE-FEDERAL COOPERATION**

WHEREAS, state and federal agencies have historically cooperated in the management of migratory birds under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and in animal control under the Wildlife Control Programs, and

WHEREAS, the list of birds protected under the Migratory Bird Convention with Mexico was amended to include 32 additional families and such amendment was made without prior consultation with the states concerning effects on existing programs, and

WHEREAS, by Executive Order, the President discontinued the use of toxicants for animal control on public lands with no consideration being given to state wildlife management programs, and

WHEREAS, problems have developed in the classification of rare and endangered species which was accomplished virtually without state input, and

WHEREAS, future demands for wildlife-oriented recreation will necessitate close working relationships and cooperation between the state and federal agencies, and

WHEREAS, the unilateral development of administrative directives and Executive Orders will undermine attempts at cooperation and adversely affect fish and wildlife resources,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners urges the Federal Government to recognize the necessity for state participation in deliberations and decisions which will ultimately affect state fish and wildlife resources and programs.

This resolution was adopted on September 15, 1972, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5  
RARE AND ENDANGERED SPECIES**

WHEREAS, H.R. 13081, S3818 and S.3199 as introduced in Congress at the request of the Administration would preempt state laws with respect to fish and resident species of wildlife declared as endangered by either the Secretary of Interior or Commerce; and

WHEREAS, sections of these original bills are ambiguous and confusing and deal mainly with protection rather than the preservation of critical habitat; and