



LOUISIANA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

"... conserving our natural resources and your right to enjoy them."



SUBJECT: FREEDOM TO FISH, HUNT AND TRAP

WHEREAS, the freedom to fish, hunt and trap is a long cherished tradition for many Louisiana citizens, and

WHEREAS, there have been challenges to these rights in other states, and

WHEREAS, the right to engage in these activities in compliance with law and regulation should be protected in the Louisiana Constitution as well as statutory law while a majority of Louisiana voters still share a favorable opinion of this important Louisiana heritage, and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Committee of the Louisiana House of Representatives deferred taking action on legislation during the 2001 Regular Session that proposed to put before the voters of the state a constitutional amendment that would guarantee every Louisiana citizen the freedom to fish, hunt and trap in compliance with law and regulation, effectively killing the measure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wildlife Federation (LWF) reiterates its support for amending the Louisiana Constitution to guarantee Louisiana citizens the freedom to fish, hunt and trap in compliance with all laws and regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LWF urges the Louisiana Legislature to adopt legislation placing a proposition on the general election ballot allowing Louisiana voters to decide that the freedom to fish, hunt, and trap in compliance with all laws and regulations should be a constitutionally protected right of Louisiana citizens.

Adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife Federation in convention assembled, 3 March 2002, in Marksville, Louisiana