

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

Resolution #78-37-FB

Relating to a National Aquaculture Organic Act

WHEREAS the passage of a national aquaculture organic act is imminent; and

WHEREAS a national aquaculture organic act will require the development of a national aquaculture plan including the designation of priority species to be cultured and the formulation of priority species development programs, all within a twelve month period; and

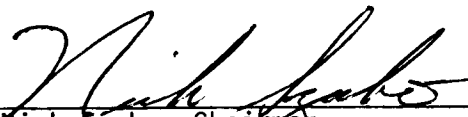
WHEREAS the State of Alaska salmon aquaculture program presently consists of on-going projects involving federal, state, and private participation; and

WHEREAS it is apparent that there is a need to clarify the goals of aquaculture in Alaska and to coordinate the efforts of the various aquaculture projects in pursuit of said goals; and

WHEREAS it is imperative that the state have a maximum involvement in the preparation of the national aquaculture plan so as to maximize the consequent benefits to the state;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Fisheries does hereby request the Governor to appoint an Alaska Aquaculture Policy Panel to consist of representatives from: the Alaska Board of Fisheries; the Alaska Department of Fish and Game; qualified Regional Aquaculture Associations; United States Department of Agriculture; United States Department of Commerce; and United States Department of Interior; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Aquaculture Policy Panel will prepare and present to the Governor, the Alaska State Legislature, and the Alaska Board of Fisheries, their recommendations as to those actions necessary to define and implement a comprehensive state aquaculture policy and plan that will maximize the benefits to Alaska and the nation.



Nick Szabo, Chairman
Alaska Board of Fisheries

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