

**RESOLUTION ON HUMAN POPULATION GROWTH
AND RESOURCE CONSUMPTION**

OREGON CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

WHEREAS, growing numbers of Oregon's native salmon and other species are sliding toward extinction as a result of habitat damage and other cumulative effects of human activity,

and WHEREAS, exponential human population growth and associated increases in the consumption of both renewable and non-renewable natural resources are root causes of the trend toward greater endangerment of native aquatic species,

and WHEREAS, as fisheries biologists and aquatic ecologists, it is our ethical responsibility to inform the public of threat to the resources we have been charged to manage and conserve,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, our Chapter will endeavor to inform the public about the connection between continued growth in human populations, resource consumption, and declines in Oregon's native salmon and other aquatic biota.

Approved unanimously by the membership,
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