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Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support the Nomination of Kathleen Fosmark to the Pacific Fishery Management Council

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

Our organization, the Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries, has been organized to represent the economic, social, and cultural interests of the recreational and commercial fishing industry in the geographic region from Port San Luis (Avila Beach) to Pillar Point Harbor in San Mateo County. We are committed to the preservation of sustainable fisheries and link the fishing activity with the greater communities that support that industry. Resolutions supporting the efforts of the ACSF have been adopted by the City Councils of Monterey and Morro Bay, by the elected Commissions of San Mateo County, Moss Landing and Port San Luis Harbor Districts, and the Santa Cruz Port District.

On behalf of the ACSF I wish to support the nomination of Kathleen Fosmark for a second term on the Pacific Fishery Management Council representing the State of California. Kathy is part of a five-generation Central California commercial fishing family. She has a broad knowledge of West Coast fisheries and has constructive relationships with the majority of commercial fishing organizations that relate to the Pacific Fishery Management Council. She is a strong voice for biologically and economically sustainable fisheries, and is well known for doing her homework on the items that come before the Pacific Council. As a founding member and co-chair of our association, the Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries, she has worked tirelessly to connect fishermen with their communities and to bring the best scientific information possible to the marine resource management our region faces. For these reasons I ask that you support the nomination of Kathleen Fosmark to a second term representing California on the Pacific Fishery Management Council.

Sincerely,

Frank Emerson
Co-Chair, ACSF

Supporting Associations & Organizations

Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association
Ventura County Commercial Fishermen's Association
Port San Luis Commercial Fishermen's Association
Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen's Association
Monterey Commercial Fishermen's Association
Fishermen's Association of Moss Landing
Fishermen's Marketing Association

Santa Cruz Commercial Fishermen's Marketing Association
Half Moon Bay Fishermen's Marketing Association
Western Fishboat Owners Association
West Coast Seafood Processors Association
Federation of Independent Seafood Harvesters
Golden Gate Fishermen's Association
California Fisheries Coalition
California Wetfish Producers Association
Recreational Fishing Alliance
Carmel River Steelhead Association
Port San Luis Harbor District
City of Morro Bay Harbor
City of Monterey Harbor
Moss Landing Harbor District
Santa Cruz Port District
Pillar Pt. Harbor, San Mateo County Harbor District