ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
RESOLUTION #80-72-FB

RELATED TO CONSIDERATION OF A LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAM FOR THE KODIAK AREA HERRING ROE FISHERY

WHEREAS, AS 16.43.010 asserts that the purpose of limited entry is to promote the conservation and sustained yield management of Alaska's fishery resource and the economic health and stability of commercial fishing in Alaska by controlling entry into commercial fisheries in the public interest and without discrimination, and

WHEREAS, the Kodiak Area Herring Roe Fishery began in 1964 and has developed by harvesting many discrete inshore spawning populations, and

WHEREAS, these discrete spawning populations are confined to small and relatively fragile spawning populations, and

WHEREAS, the management of these spawning stocks must be highly restrictive to insure the sustained yield of the resource, and

WHEREAS, the existing fishing effort levels are more than adequate to harvest these stocks, and

WHEREAS, adjacent management areas with developed herring roe fisheries have in place limited entry programs to control effort level expansion and that the Kodiak Area Herring Roe Fishery is open for increased entry of fishing effort;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Fisheries encourages the Limited Entry Commission to immediately proceed to initiate public hearings and other administrative processes to completely evaluate the socio-economic and conservation needs for a limited entry program for the Kodiak Herring Roe Fishery.

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VOTE: 7/0

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