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January 7, 2005 The Honorable Don Perata, Chair Senate Committee on Rules State Capitol, Room 205 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT FOR CONFIRMATION OF MARILYN HENDRICKSON FOR CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION

Dear Senator Perata,

Our organization, the Alliance for Communities for Sustainable Fisheries (ACSF), 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. As the name implies, we are committed to the preservation of sustainable fisheries and link fishing activities with the greater communities that support our 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 the San Mateo County, Moss Landing and Port San Luis Harbor Districts, and the Santa Cruz Port District.

Members of our organization support the economic benefit provided to California by our seafood industries and recreational activities that equal billions of dollars. We have a keen interest in the health of our ocean and sustainable resources.

Members of the Alliance support the heritage and economic value of fishing to California's coastal communities. To preserve and enhance that value, the ACSF offers to work constructively to ascertain and guarantee that we have the best and current oceanographic, socioeconomic, and fisheries science to accurately compile information for science and that it is available for developing public policy used for healthy, sustainable fisheries, and marine conservation.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Senate Rules Committee in support of Marilyn Hendrickson for Senate confirmation, as appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to serve on the California Fish and Game Commission. It is our experience that Mrs. Hendrickson shows good working knowledge of the State's natural resources. While on the Commission she has studied the issues and paid attention to testimony and participates actively in discussion, exhibiting her understanding of the issues. She has acted moderately and fair, and has used common sense. We respectfully urge the Senate to confirm her appointment. Thank you very much for considering this recommendation.

Kathy Fosmark, Co-Chair, ACSF

Frank Emerson, Co-Chair, ACSF

Supporting Associations & Organizations
Pacific Coast Federation of 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
Santa Cruz Commercial Fishermen's Marketing Association
Half Moon Bay Fishermen's Marketing Association
Fishermen's Alliance
Western Fishboat Owners Association
Ventura County Commercial Fishermen's Association

Federation of Independent Seafood Harvesters Golden Gate Fishermen's 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 cc: The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger Secretary of Resources Mike Chrisman