We would like the Board to reconsider their action of Proposal 225. The proposal was amended to include language from RC 143 that would close the waters within ½ mile of the beach. Neither ATA nor CTA was involved in the creation of this RC. The amended proposal makes the district even less viable as a fishery since the chum in this area tend to concentrate in the ½ mile near the beach. The North Chatham fishery occurs along this short section of shoreline.

No problems with the existing fishery have been identified by the department during the past three seasons. We would prefer that the boundaries remain as they have been during the past three years.

The addition of the 5th day is of very little value if we are not allowed to fish in the area where the fish are concentrated.

CTA Vice Chair

ATA Executive Director

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